Border post troops hit by twin blasts

Seven dead in IRA 'human' bomb attacks

By Jamie Dettmer and Edward Gorman

SIX soldiers were killed Shantallow area of Londonin simultaneous IRA bombings at army checkpoints in Northern Ire-land yesterday. One of the points in Northern Ire-land yesterday. One of the civilians forced to drive the bombs to their targets the bombs to their targets also died. Another escaped with a broken leg.
The "proxy bombings" in Londonderry and New- almost immediately after the ry injured a further 17

people, including two policemen, a pensioner and a year-old child. A third five soldiers of the 1st Battalion, the King's Regiment. bomb driven to the Lisanelly army barracks in Omagh some hours later was defused.

The death toll was the biggest inflicted on the security forces since eight soldiers died in a bus bombing in April 1988. Until yesterday, only one soldier had been killed in Northern Ireland this year.

Politicians denounced as cowardly the tactic of forcing civilians to carry explosives. Peter Brooke, the Northern Ireland secretary, said the IRA had sunk to new levels of depravity by using "human bombs". The IRA said the drivers had been involved in construction for the security Gunmen had taken over

Patsy Gillespie's house in the

INSIDE

Warren tells of shooting

Frank Warren, the boxing promoter, told the Central Criminal Court yesterday how a hooded gunman pointed a pistol at him and fired into his chest from a range of 6 ft. The former world boxing champion ictry Maish denie attempting to murder Mr Page 3

Donaldson plea

Lord Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, yesterday urged lawyers to to improve their handling of appeal cases. He said some lawyers either failed to understand the appeal process or were misusing it

Bhutto setback Benazir Bhutto, dismissed as

Pakistan's prime minister 11 reeks ago, appeared last night to be in serious trouble in the neral election. Senior officials of her Pakistan People's Party estimated that she might capture fewer than 80 of the 207 Muslim seats Page 14

Embryo control

The German parliament yes-terday passed the world's first law aimed at controlling genetic engineering of human embryos. The law prohibits production of embryos for Science, pages 20,21

Lenders warned

Lenders and brokers have been warned they may lose their consumer credit licences if they continue to target people in debt to offer new loans, Sir Gordon Borrie, the director-general of Fair Trading, revealed Page 29

Polly Peck bust Polly Peck, the international trading company, is to be wound up. The company yesterday decided to petition the high court for an administra-

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Law results

The Law Society Final Examination results will be published in The Times 10morrow. Copies will be on sale this evening from 10.00 at Victoria, Charing Cross and Kings Cross stations and at Leicester Square.

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derry on Tuesday night and held his family hostage before forcing him to drive a van pressed into such a mission and the terrorists told his wife he would be home within the half-hour. The bomb exploded vehicle drew up into check-point's search bay shortly after 4am, killing Mr Gillespie and

Five other soldiers were injured and 25 houses in the adjacent Benview estate were badiy damaged. The explosion blew a huge crater in the road and demolished much of the

At the same time, gunmen forced a man aged 65 and eight members of his family from their home at Rathfilland Road, Newry, and taken to another house. The pensioner was ordered to drive the bomb to the Cloughue checkpoint while his relatives were held captive. When he arrived, the man climbed out of his van and shouted a warning, but Cyril Smith, a Royal Irish Ranger aged 21, was killed. Ten soldiers and two policemen were injured and the driver suffered a broken leg. A primary school near by was badly damaged and debris was blown on to the Belfast-Dublia railway, which was closed, as was the Newry-Dundalk road.

At Omagh, the driver of the bumb was strapped into the car bell managed to wriggle free. It is believed that the detonator exploded but failed to ignite the commercial explosive in the vehicle.

The security forces believe the three-pronged attack across Northern Ireland to show that recent setbacks for the terrorists in the province have not blunted their

Earlier this month, two IRA gunmen were killed in an ambush in Co Armagh. terrorists and the sterility of their thinking. "They have sunk to new levels of depravity by using people whose

families have been held hosmore evil than tying a man into his car laden with explosives and then forcing him to detonated. Horrible as these murders have been, they have not advanced the cause of those who perpetrated them by a single millimetre. Indeed, they have set it back still further."

Kevin McNamara, the Lab-our spokesman on Northern Ireland, condemned the kil-lings and said the IRA offered only "dead ends and grave-yards". John Hume, the SDLP leader, said it was "total downright cowardice". Ken Maginnis, Ulster Unionist security spokesman, said: "It demonstrates the futility of the IRA campaign." He ac-cused the IRA of designing the bombs so that they would explode within seconds of their arrival.

Mr Gillespie, aged 45, was the first proxy bomber to be killed. His wife, Kathleen, said last night: "I am so angry. This is the second time they have done this to me. I am only just getting over the first time. When they left at 4am, they ripped out the phone and told me not to do anything because my husband would be home

Police later found Mr Gillespie's Vauxhall Astra parked about three-quarters of a mile from the Londonderry checkpoint. It had probably been used by IRA men follow ing him to make sure be carried out his instructions, as they did the Omagh driver. The bomb may have been on a timer or detonated by remote control from the Astra or some other vantage point. It was ten hours before Mr Gillespie's body was found.

The soldiers who died in Londonderry were named last night as Lance Corporal Stephen Burrows, aged 30, of Blackpool, who was married with a son aged three, and Kingsmen Stephen Beacham, 20, from Warrington; Paul Worrall, 23, from Runcorn; Mr Brooke said in the Worrall, 23, from Runcom; Commons that the bombings Vincent Scott, 21, from showed the inhumanity of the Liverpool and David Sweeney, 19, from Widnes, all of whom were single.

Easy targets, page 2

Gas workers seek 20% wage rise

By TIM JONES AND KEVIN EASON

MORE than 28,000 gas work next November and then by a ers last night embarked on a further £15, including fight to win one of the highest productivity bonuses. 20 per cent wage rise.

They tabled their claim as 31,000 Rover workers looked certain to accept an inflationbeating pay rise of 11 per cent, which would give them an

extra £20 a week The Rover deal will add fuel to government worries that private sector companies cannot hold down wage inflation in the winter pay round, sparking similar demands from thousands of workers in the public sector.

Rover's agreement, achieved last night after three days of negotiations, is also worth 7.5 per cent from November 1, 1991. Pay packets will rise to £240 a week by

pay rises in industry when The car company said at the they submitted demands for a start of talks that rises well above inflation would have to be funded by job losses, echoing the call from Michael Howard, the employment secretary, that wage rises had to

> Executives seemed to have backed away from their initial tough stance by allowing a deal fractionally over the current inflation rate of 10.9 per cent. Rob Lummis, Rover's employee relations director, said last night, however, that the deal, which will be put to ballot among the workforce at Birmingham and Oxford in the next few days, was not

inflationary He said: "It must be seen as Continued on page 28, col 1



Welfare boost to young and old

By Nicholas Wood and Jill Sherman

THE government sought to strengthen its family credentials yesterday by announcing a £5 billion boost in welfare payments next year designed to help young and old.

However, Labour insisted the government had broken its manifesto pledge in failing to uprate child benefit across the board, and child welfare extra on the first-born child as "missed opportunity".

Most of the increase from April is swallowed up by the automatic uprating in line with the 10.9 per cent inflation rate of pensions, invalidity and unemployment benefits, and social security payments.

Yet the political finesse of Tony Newton, the social services secretary, in juggling with the other items in his package won plaudits from his backbenchers. Total spending on social security goes up from £53 billion this year to £58

of 9.4 per cent. Child benefit for the firstborn is to rise by £1 a week to £8.25 from April at a cost to the taxpayer of £260 million. Nearly seven million mothers will gain, but rates for other children will remain frozen at £7.25, the level for the past three years. Sir Norman Fow-Continued on page 28, col 5

billion next year, an increase

Benefits rise, page



Iraq using hostages in effort to split alliance

From Nicholas Beeston in Baghdad and Phillip Jacobson in Paris

from their other Western allies when it suggested that hostages from countries with no hostile intent against Baghdad could be freed.

A sustained diplomatic offensive by the Iraqi ambasremoved any lingering doubt the war. They all not take that Iraq sees release of the French hostages as a means of They will take a defensive undermining the Western alliposition towards Iraq. This is ance now confronting Presi-very important to us. dent Saddam Hussein.

In an apparent change of announcement on Tuesday policy, Latif Jassim, the night in the legal regularies member of the ruling Revoluappeared to confirm suspicions that President Saddam was intent on trying to drive a wedge into the alliance linedup against him. Mr Jassim, who spoke after a meeting with President Saddam, said that Iraq was constantly evaluating events abroad and reviewing its policy on the holding of hostages.

"We will monitor the situation and watch how this country behaves and that country behaves, and on the basis of that we will make our decisions," he said.

Clearly impressed by recent television coverage of antiwar demonstrations in the US and Japan, and rebroadcast in Iraq, Mr Jassim said: "The Iraqi government hears and sees all the signals from around the world. From the United States and Great odious. Their liberation is Britain until now we only merely an atonement for that

of its most lucrative trans-

Atlantic routes if the proposed

\$400 million (£205 million)

takeover of Pan Am's Heath-

row operations by United

Airlines is given the go-ahead.

tions to New York, Wash-

ington, San Francisco, Los

Angeles and Seattle from next

April, if given approval by the

British and US Governments.

United plan to start opera-

Challenge for BA

By Harvey Elliott, air correspondent

BRITISH Airways could face a marketing agreement with

increased competition on five United two years ago, last

IRAQ yesterday sought to receive signals of war. We inadmissable act. France can-isolate Britain and the US receive signals of hatred from not lend itself to any negotia-Bush and Thatcher." However, concerning the French, he said: "We want to give the French people, the French government, a signal that we are behaviou:

part in aggression against Iraq. The move came after the

minister of information and a that all 298 French hostages in Iraq and Kuwait were free to tionary Council Committee, go because of Paris' announcement that its forces based in a US attack. Saudi Arabia would not be used to attack Iraq or Kuwait. We cannot say that the French stand is identical with Iraq's, but the stand of the French towards the crisis is getting clearer and gearing towards peace," the Iraqi foreign minister, Tariq Aziz, said during the debate in the assembly, which unanimously voted to free the French

hostages. France reacted swiftly to the announcement of the release by saying that it would not affect its policy towards the Gulf, in particular its adherence to UN Security Council resolutions aimed at forcing Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. A spokesman for the French foreign ministry said: "The taking of hostages is

night remained unconcerned.

however, arguing they have

already faced competition

from Pan Am on the five

Lord King, BA chairman, said that if approval was

granted for United's plans British Airways would want

something in return, such as

extended rights in the US.

tions whatsoever on this issue." Michel Rocard, the prime minister, later told the National Assembly that while he rejoiced in the announcement that the hostages would be freed, it was a " unilateral decision " by Boshead.

After the invasion of Kuwait and the subsequent UN sanctions imposed against Iraq, Baghdad refused to allow thousands of trapped foreigners to leave. Hundreds of Britons, Americans, French, western nationals were taken to strategic sites to act as human shields in the event of

Western diplomats in Bachdad dismissed the Iraqi actions as a "cynical game of bargaining for bodies" aimed at splitting the unprecedented world stance on Iraq. "If the Iraqis think they have got something out of it let them believe it," one diplomat said.

Hostage death, page 12 Diary, page 16

Labour rebels hit by vote

By PHILIP WEESTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

LABOUR MPs exacted revenge yesterday on the shadow cabinet rebels who defied Neil Kinnock over defence spending at the party conference. Four of the six who voted against the Labour leader in the national executive committee suffered big falls in their votes in the annual shadow cabinet elections.

John Prescott finished last of the 18 elected positions, Bryan Gould come seventeenth after topping the poll only three years ago, Jo Richardson fell from seventh to fifteenth and Joan Lestor lost her seat.

Miss Lestor is replaced by Ann Taylor, whose performance as environment spokesman has been highly rated. The most striking advance was made by Margaret Beckett, the shadow chief secretary to the Treasury, who rose to third place.

> Rising star, page 11 Leading article, page 17

"Oh no ... not another whine and cheese party ..."

I hink Global!" said the Chief Executive.

"But always remember the local market!" warned the **Warketing Director.**

"More volume, more quality customers!" demanded the

The fighting talk had left us shell-shocked, and worse was to come . . . the conference cocktail party.

Oh no ... not another whine and cheese party I thought,



I couldn't have been more wrong, because we were in Jersey. The chap who organised the conference was born

here, and he'd arranged a wine tasting for us at La Mare, the island's vinevard. Beautiful spot, deep in the country, we forgot all about

business - just what we needed. Strolling around the vineyard was like being back in Bordeaux.

Jersey's like that ... you could be in Britain one minute,

There is talk of coming back next year and having the party in a medieval castle. Perfect for the onslaught I thought . . .



A break, with convention Send for details to: Conference Director, Jersey Conference Bureau, Weighbridge, St. Helier, Jersey, CJ. Tel: 0534-7509.

British Airways, which signed Dog fight threatens, Page 31 Teenagers sharpen their image with surgery

From CHARLES BREMNER IN NEW YORK

FROM New York to California teens are going under the knife, financed and sometimes encouraged by doting parents who believe bodily perfection to be a more desirable birthday

present than a stereo or a car. Tiffany White, a schoolgiri aged 17 from suburban Los Angeles, never liked her chubby cheeks. "A lot of people said I looked like Bette Midler and that really bothered me," she said. in the old days she would have had to tump it. But this year she joined thousands of other American teenagers in opting for surgery and had the fat vacuumed out and her nose

remodelled while she was at it. Tracy and Stacy Sobut, twins, also aged 17, from Chicago, chose matching nose jobs. Boys "go for the

physical appearance", Tracy ex-plained "We might as well look the best for the guys we want."

Once the domain of the rich and vain, "aesthetic surgery", as the practitioners prefer to call it, is doing wonders for adolescent self-esteem and making millions for doctors, at the same time prompting qualms among professional bodies. Teenagers need no longer submit even to the time-honoured bout with acne. For a few hundred dollars a surgeon will remove it by dermabrasion, a sort of sandpapering technique.

Teenagers have become a big market for plastic surgery, said Dr Martin Sullivan, an Illinois surecon who says between eight and ten teenagers consult him every month. Some surgeons estimate that teenagers account for 25 per cent of their business. According to the last available figures, for 1988, 117,000 teenagers under 18, that is 16 per cent of the total, had nose surgery. Teenagers also accounted for 16 per cent of ear pinning, 9 per cent of chin augmentation and breast reduction, 8 per cent of hair replacement and 7 percent of dermabrasion that year. An increasing number of Asian teenagers are having blepharoplasty, an eyelid operation which produces a more Caucasian, round-eyed look.

In many states no parental permission is necessary for those over 16, although doctors explain that they are careful to screen out patients whose problems have nothing to do with their looks. Most say they will not carry out liposuction (fat removal) unless they are sure the child has already shed its puppy fat. Only a few

augment their breasts although many receive collagen injections, the lipinflating technique that imparts the Kim Basinger look. Cosmetic surgeons argue that sur-

gery can help cure the insecurity and self-consciousness that comes from a lack of self-esteem. It can "take years off a psychiatrist's couch", Dr Walter Berman, a Beverly Hills surgeon told The Wall Street Journal in a recent investigation.

But some doctors are concerned that colleagues are a little too quick with the scalpel. Dr Frederick Stucker, professor of otolaryngology at Louisiana State University, attacked those who argued for the right of teenagers to face-lifts. "I think we send the wrong message when we are willing to do it for teens," he said.

Newton attracts criticism over 'second best' child benefit rise

By JILL SHERMAN, SOCIAL SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

TONY Newton, the social security minister, attracted criticism ye terday for elements of his £2.5

billion benefit uprating package.

The increase in child benefit, giving families an extra £1 a week for the first child, appeased Tory backbenchers but was dismissed by child poverty organisations as second best. Organisations representing the elderly were angry that Mr Newton failed to increase income support payments for residential homes at the same rate as rises in unemployment benefit and the retirement

Most groups received a 10.9 per

cent rise in their benefits in line with inflation. The basic retirement pension rises by £5.10 a week for a single person, from £46.90 to £52.00, and by £8.15 a week for a couple, from £75.10 to

Unemployment benefit rises from £37.35 to £41.40 for a single person and from £60.40 to £66.95 for a couple, while sickness benefit goes up from £35.70 to £39.60 for a single person and from £57.80 to £64.10 for a couple.

Income support payments for residential homes, however, were increased by only £5 a week, from £155 to £160, except for those caring for more dependent groups, which get a £15 a week increase.

instead been directed at nursing homes, which get a £45 increase to £255 a week for the eldery and mentally ill. Income support payments for the mentally handicapped rise by £35 to £260 a week in nursing homes. Those for physically disabled people rise by the same amount to £290 a week.

Mr Newton justified the lower increase for residential homes by citing a Price Waterhouse survey on nursing and residential care. While the limits for residential care are reasonably close to the median rates across the country, those for nursing homes were significantly too low," he said. The overall benefit rises, which

come into effect next April include help those who were less well off. The basic premium for pensions aged 60 to 74 on income support. housing benefit and community charge benefit is to rise by £1 a week more for a single person, and £1.50 for a couple than under a straightforward uprating. This helps about 400,000 pensioners by putting premium payments up to £13.75 for a single pensioner and £20.90 for a couple.

Mr Newton also announced a doubling of the budget for the Independent Living Fund, which helps 6,000 disabled people to live at home, to £62 million. In

creased by 50 per cent, and carers will be entitled to benefit for up to eight weeks after the death of the person they had cared for.

Mr Newton said: "What I have announced helps families with children and families-to-be. It helps large numbers of less-welloff pensioners. It will ease the anxieties of families concerned with the care of elderly and disabled relatives and of those relatives themselves, and it builds on what we are already doing to give greater help to disabled

In his commons statement Mr

addition, the amount that carers Newton explained further changes show that 710,300 people were on rising from £39.25 to £43.50, but the higher rate remains nuchanged

at £52.50, saving £100 million next year. However, statutory maternity pay is to go up by £39.25 to £44.50, and maternity allowance will rise from £35.70 to £40.60 a week, adding a £1 to the full uprating.

The number of people waiting

for hospital operations in England has risen to an all-time high of 960,000, according to latest figures from the health department. The figures, which will prove highly embarrassing to the government,

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During the same period, the number of people waiting for day surgery rose by 11 per cent, from 182,300 to 202,500. In addition, 46,100 patients were waiting for operations that they had post-

poned themselves. The statistics show that repeated government initiatives. including a specific waiting list fund, have failed to stem the rise in the number of people waiting for hospital treatment.

Daytime cure, page 9

Food stocks 'under threat from global warming'

By NIGEL HAWKES, SCIENCE EDITOR

bring sunflowers and soya beans to the fields of southern England and allow Birmingham to produce red wines to rival those of Bordeaux, according to the author of a new book published

ham university, launching his study in London, said that global warming would, how-ever, produce less benign effects for the rest of the world. It would reduce food production, increase prices and introduce new uncertainties for food supplies. Those at greatest risk would be the one semi-arid regions, including much of Africa.

Professor Parry, a member of the inter-governmental panel on climate change, based his study on a continuation of present trends which could produce a 1.1C rise in mean temperatures by 2030.

GLOBAL warming could The results were released yes- cause drought, erosion and terday by the United Nations Environment Programme and the International Institute for Applied System Analysis, who financed the work.

Dr Parry said that today's main cereal producers, including the United States, Canada, Martin Parry of Birming-am university, launching his output fall by up to 30 per cent udy in London, said that while globally it could fall by

300 kilometres further north in the northern hemisphere, Parry said. That meant that western Europe would see billion people who lived in a shift of agriculture from south to north, with crops like grain, maize, sunflowers and soya beans becoming estab-lished in southern Britain, as wheat, barley and grass moved northwards to Yorkshire and Northumberland.

In semi-arid regions, any reduction in rainfall would

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descrification. The monsoon rains might migrate closer to

the poles.
Dr Parry said that it was very difficultto combine the different changes to produce an overall picture, and admitted considerable uncertainty in his projections.

output fall by up to 30 per cent while globally it could fall by 10-20 per cent.

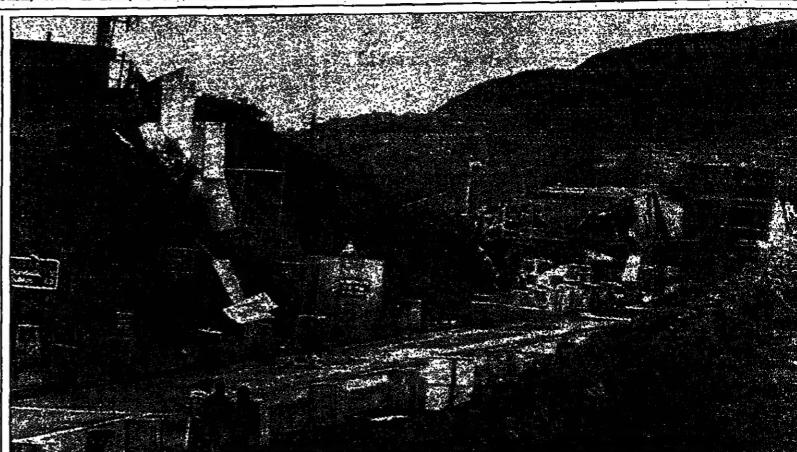
Each 1C rise in mean temperatures would drive the limits for growing most crops

Those gaining most from global warming would be Japan, Scandinavia, the Soviet Union and parts of Australia.

Japan might become self-sufficient in rice, while Iceland might be able to grow cereals. Crop yields could increase by 10-20 per cent in parts of the Soviet Union.

The biggest losers would probably be the United States. Canada, much of Africa, the Middle East, central America, north eastern Brazil, and southern Europe.

Climate change and world agri-culture, by Martin Parry (Earth-scan Publications, £9.95)



The border checkpoint near Newry that was wrecked by an IRA bomb yesterday. One seldier died in the attack and ten others were injured

Border posts are Mural uncovered 'easy targets'

By JAMIE DETTMER

attack. The checkpoints, many of which are sited in republican areas, have long been seen by several Northern Ireland politicians as easy targets.

Seamus Mallon, deputy leader of the SDLP, said that the checkpoints dotted along the border were not serving any practical purpose. He disputed how effective the of permanent military bases. permanent look-out posts slipping across the border and doubted whether they prevented the movement of arms

and explosives. The vulnerability of the posts was emphasised last December when two soldiers were killed in a 20-minute gun and bomb assault on a checkpoint at Derryard, co Fermanaghe Yesterday's hombines bore a remarkable similarity to the Derryard incident in which a proxy explosive device was delivered to the post before gunmen opened fire. Transporting soldiers to the

THE PROXY bombings by look-out posts has also been the IRA yesterday have high- fraught with difficulty, in spite lighted the vulnerability of of the frequent use of heliborder checkpoints to terrorist copters. In some areas, soldiers are still transported by road. In March last year two soldiers on their way to the Londonderry checkpoint were killed by an IRA landmine. Other killings and bombings have been carried out close to the look-out posts with the IRA apparently un-

deterred by the close presence

There have been several dalk road within a few miles of the post at Cloughogue. In April 1987, Lord Justice Gibson and his wife were killed by then asked about how the terrorists managed to manhandle the mine to the side of the road within sight of a border tower and a couple of miles from the look-out post, although a petrol station probably obstructed the view from the tower. Last month, a police constable was abducted on the same stretch of road

in country home

By WILLIAM CASH

women enjoying a Raccha-nalian musical feast has been discovered in a Georgian country house in Somerset.

The epicurian scenes — illustrating behaviour described in Plato's Symposium - were uncovered by George Peggram, aged 55, night manager of an abattoir, and his wife Myrtle, aged 56, when they were stripping wallpaper in the dining room of their home in Sampford Arnndel. Underneath six layers of wallpaper, they discov-

Grecian lady reclining on a couch. Eventually, all four walls and the ceiling were found to depict scenes of nude women frolicking in the company of Zeus, whilst Pan and an entourage of flute players

looked on eagerly. Mrs Peggram said: "We were absolutely amazed. On one wall there were two bearers with a fatted calf. By the fire there were dancing ladies in gowns. They are will suggest that he was a really quite erotic, though not cultivated country gentleman obscene." They now intend to of very eccentric tastes.

A 19th century mural of naked protect the mural with glass, women enjoying a BacchaThe mural, painted in oils, is nalian musical feast has been dated 1867, but the only part of the faint signature that can be made out is the initials J.T.

James Miller, an expert on British paintings at Sotheby's, said yesterday that specula-tion about the artist's identity

Russell Lillford, Somerset's conservation officer, said that it was the first such mural that he knew of in the county, and that it was lucky to have torian moralists.

Tom Mayberry, senior what was remarkable about the mural was that it was of the type normally discovered in a much grander country

He established yesterday that the mural was commis sioned by William Bellett, who owned 70 acres and died aged 80. The contents of his

ried, for ideological and practical reasons, about the gov-ernment's proposals, which

are expected to be introduced

in a criminal justice bill next

who believe officers should

concentrate on befriending offenders and attending to

their welfare needs, such as

housing and employment, are

unhappy with the punitive language in which the pro-

posals have been couched.

More significantly, however,

they believe that the plan will

backfire, leading to a rise, rather than a fall, in the prison

To overcome the traditional

uthusiasm of British courts

for custodial sentences, ministers plan to give courts a

harder and more flexible range

of non-custodial penalties.

They would include a

probation and community

service; a curfew order en-

forced by electronic tagging,

and probation orders that

would spell out how offenders

Probation officers would have to draw up detailed reports in which they would

recommend a range of noncustodial penalties for offend-

ers covered by proposed new sentencing guidelines.

general secretary of the Nat-ional Association of Probation

Officers, says that ministers have failed to understand how

chaotic and disorganised most

offenders are.

"All we're going to see is more offenders failing to live

up to the requirements of the

new orders and being returned

into jail." The association

Harry Fletcher, assistant

should be supervised.

"combination order"

population.

"Care orientated" officers

Abortion questions 'must end

Medical schools have been asked to stop questioning candidates about their attitudes to abortion after a parliamentary enquiry con-firmed that doctors who refused to perform abortions faced job discrimination (Shella Gunn writes).

The Commons social ser-

vices committee was told of Roman Catholic school leavers being rejected by one medical school after being asked whether their religion prevented them from recommending abortion for unmarried teenagers.

The committee was, howings of the conscience clause" to the 1967 abortion act. Most of the committee wanted the right of doctors and nurses to out out of abortion work to be extended to other staff.

More injured

Injuries to children on Britain's roads have increased by almost 3,000 a year, the Transport and Road Research Laboratory said yesterday. Almost 48,000 children were miured last year compared with 45,000 during the previous 12 months. The figures include 440 deaths. Cecil Parkinson, transport sec-retary, said there must be a "massive effort" to improve Britain's record.

Duke's defence

The Duke of Edinburgh yes terday answered criticism in a schools inspectorate report that the awards scheme bearing his name which began in 1955 was outdated and attracted mainly white, middle class participants. He told a Northampton conference on the scheme that the evidence was that it worked well. "The only failure is in trying to get people from across the social spectrum to participate."

Licence hunt

new fleet of hi-tech TV yesterday. The vans can carry up to 12 inquiry officers and are able to home in on a working TV set within seconds, according to the Post Office. Investigators can tell immediately which channel is being watched or if a programme is being recorded on video. Last year over 320,000 licence dodgers were caught by the Post Office.

Limit extended

A television film company has bought City Limits, the left-wing London weekly listings magazine which last week went into receivership. Clark Productions, whose programmes include Channel 4's Hard News and ITV's Moneywise, expects the magazine to become profitable within three to six months. its circulation has dropped from 32,000 three years ago to below 15,000.

Search for sentencing solutions

Probation officers begin their annual conference today split on sentencing policy, reports Quentin Cowdry

CAROL Fisher represents what Home Office ministers like to characterise as the "sensible tendency" within the probation service. Almost reflective about her work, she believes that non-custodial court orders must be demanding and sometimes punitive to

"There have always been different strands among pro-bation officers, but I definitely belong to the school which believes that penalties like probation and community service have to be reasonably tough," she says. Miss Fisher, who has been

in the service for ten years and is based in Chiswick, north London, draws the line, though, at the electronic tagging of offenders, which is one of the government's most controversial proposals. She is also deeply sceptical of ministerial promises that the planned "punishment in the community" regime will be adequately funded.

Her view that "if it isn't hurting, it isn't working" is bitterly opposed, however, by many of her colleagues, as the government will be uncomfortably reminded today, when delegates representing Britain's 7,000 rank-and-file probation officers begin their annual conference.

Had ministers not decided to spotlight sentencing policy, the argument about the extent to which probation officers should control offenders and



Fisher: "Community service must be fairly tough"

government's announcement that it wanted to make sentencing more consistent and that it wished to lock up fewer offenders has, however, lifted the argument near to the top of the political agenda.

Ministers have probably rightly judged that the public is not as punitive in its

could simply be seen by the polls on the death penalty public as one of those esoteric indicate. Popular opinion will debates about role so beloved not be impressed, however, if, by the caring professions. The under the new sentencing Hence the central importance of probation officers, one of non-custodial court orders.

regime, courts impose noncustodial sentences on burglars, only to see them again in . court a few months' later.

to the courts. Many of these whose key tasks is supervising people will then be chucked The difficulty facing the believes that breaches of Home Office is that many probation orders will rise from propation officers are wor

Warren tells of moment hooded man shot him

By MICHAEL HORSNELL

FRANK Warren described lose my breath which I yesterday how a hooded gun-man pointed a pistol at him up with blood and I began to and fired into his chest from a gurgle." range of six feet. The wounded boxing promoter then zig-zagged down a grassy bank to avoid any further shots until

he collapsed.

Mr Warren told the Central Criminal Court that before was unable to identify the

champion Terry Marsh denies attempting to murder Mr Warren, his manager, on November 30 last year. The court has been told Mr Marsh, aged 32, faced humiliation and fingaging a manager and fingaging and financial ruin after their partnership had turned sour.

Mr Warren told the court that he arrived with his business partner John Botros at After the boxer won the the Broadway Theatre in world light-welterweight championship in 1987, Mr November 30. After getting out of his Bentley he heard a Thames Television for him to bang. "I thought it was a car appear as a commentator on backfiring. The noise startled the boxing programme Sec-me so I turned round and I onds Out, for which Mr Marsh backfiring. The noise startled . saw a man standing there with was paid £500 for each of three a hood and a mask over his nose. He was probably six to eight feet away. He was just

gun in his hand."-Mr Warren looked at the guinman for about four seconds. "I tried to get out of the way. He was too far away to grab hold of if I had tried to defend his title. It could be get closer I would have become a bigger target, so I tried Mr Warren knew about the to get behind the car. As I did condition before allowing his

shot. There was a grassy slope I ran down. I started zig-I ran down. I started zig. On January 25 last year, Mr zagging in case there was Marsh told the television proanother shot so it would miss gramme Midweek Sport Speme. I lost my breath and sank cial that he had told everyone down on one knee. I was who needed to know about his conscious all the time. I heard John Botros's voice. I heard issued a writ for libel against him shout What on earth are the fighter. He said that the you doing? He swore. Then a American promoters of the lady screamed. A car drew up title fight, against the co-and a man asked if I was OK. I incidentally-named Frankie said I thought I had been shot. It was a boxer I used to for \$125,000 if the contract manage, Gary Nichols. While I was on the ground it was Mr Marsh's condition.
very painful and I started to The case continues to

A doctor gave him first aid on the ground before a police van arrived and took him to

September 27, 1984. "Business relations until he won the world title were OK. We were not great friends but personal

appearances. But after Mr Marsh disclosed in The Sun newspaper that he was sufferstanding there in front of me. I ing from epilepsy, Mr Warren looked at him and he had a arranged for the television contract to be withdrawn.

I ran along the pavement libel and received £40,000 in d was aware. I had been an out-of-court settlement and

epilepsy. Mr Warren then Warren, could have sued him had been broken as a result of

The case continues today.





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Saturday Review

The man who broke free

Professor Stephen Hawking, Britain's most famous scientist. is wheelchair bound, but the appliance of his science is untramelled by any physical limitation

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hospital. He asked to be discharged on December 11, Mr Warren, who said he being hit, he heard another hooded gunman, earlier deshot but thought it was a car scribed his professional relationship with Mr Marsh, whom he spotted as an amagination of the former world boxing whom he spotted as an amagination of the former world boxing whom he spotted as an amagination of the former world boxing whom he spotted as an amagination of the former world boxing whom he spotted as an amagination of the former world boxing whom he spotted as an amagination of the former world boxing whom he spotted as an amagination of the former world boxing whom he spotted as an amagination of the former world boxing who was unable to making the former world because the former world because the former world boxing who was unable to making the former world boxing th

relations were also OK."

Mr Warren said the epilepsy story appeared in The Sun in er, 1987, the day after Mr Marsh signed a contract to inferred from the report that condition before allowing his so I heard another bang. I felt fighter to sign for the champ-pain in the left hand side of ionship contest. The promoter my chest. denied that, sued The Sun for

an apology.



Warren: zig-zagged down grassy bank to avoid bullets

Award for museums campaign

THE Times has won the best campaign sponsorship of 1989 award for its work with the Museums Year campaign, during which it promoted public use of Britain's art galleries and museums.

guidebook were produced as part of the campaign launched to celebrate the centenary of the Museums Association, which represents more than 2,000 museums and galleries in the UK. The award was made by the magazine PR

editor to Campaign magazine and one of the judges, said: This is a fine example of applying an imaginative ap-proach to not the most obvi-ously stimulating of briefs."

A museums passport and

Peter Jackson, consultant

code", which gives a series of instructions, with the first letter of each making up part of the word "knock". It says: know who callers are: I never allow entry without identification; open the door only when satisfied that the caller is genuine: all the police if suspicious, keep an eye on any caller while he or she is in the house.

Mr Waddington said: Most people who come to your door are, of course, genuine, but there are far too many heart-breaking stories of doorstep callers tricking their victims into parting with cash or letting them into their homes and leaving with stolen cash and valuables. I am grateful to the Association of British Insurers for mounting this latest crime prevention campaign, and I urge every-one, particularly the elderly, to get hold of a copy of the 'knock code' from the ABI and to follow the sound practical advice given in the leaflet."

Merger suspended

By JOHN O'LEARY, HIGHER EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

music colleges have been withdrawn temporarily to give them the opportunity to work together voluntarily.

Celebrities from the world of classical music came out in force this summer to oppose plans from a committee chaired by Lord Gowrie, the former arts minister, to merge the Royal Academy of Music and the Royal College of Music. The polytechnics and colleges funding council said that continued competition

would reduce the money available to both institutions. Lord Gowrie, who conwork only if both parties were royal college opposed.

PROPOSALS to merge two of willing partners, wanted a the country's most prestigious federation to lead to amaigamation within three years. After consultation on Lord Gowrie's report, however, the council announced yesterday that the colleges had been offered a special funding arrangement on condition that they agreed to deepen and broaden collaboration.

The colleges, which have a history of rivalry, plan to harmonise entry and exit qualifications and to begin joint teaching of students in vocal music and other areas. They have agreed to make no comment on the proposals although the royal academy is ceded that a merger would in favour of merger and the



Hostages taste liberty and a square meal

THE British hostages freed from Iraq were last night planning celebration parties, getting used to being in their own homes and sorting out problems that have mounted up during their captivity.

Many spent their first day of freedom being reunited with relatives, having their first decent meal for several weeks and learning to live away from the fear of war.

James Ure, aged 58, shouted "Hallelujah!" as he pushed open the glass swing doors of the arrival suite and took centre-stage before a blaze of television lights at Gatwick airport early yesterday morning. This is bloody magic, being home, it's just bloody magic, what I need now is a beer and some time with my wife and five children," he said. Mr Ure, a

Code to

defeat

bogus

callers

By LINDSAY COOK MONEY EDITOR

A CAMPAIGN by the Associ-

ation of British Insurers to defeat bogus callers was

launched by David Wadding-

ton, the home secretary, The assocation will give

elderly people stickers to put on the inside of their doors, on which they should write their gas and electricity reference numbers. They can then check up on anyone who calls at their home claiming to be a representative of one of those services. Any such caller who does not have the customer's reference number should not

One million leaflets giving advice on how to identify bogus callers have been printed, and 12,000 posters will publicise the "knock

be allowed in.

and;

Airlines, seemed to have made an instant psychological transition from prisoner to free man. Many of the others who had travelled with him aboard the Virgin Airlines jumbo jet appeared bemused, distracted, and hollow-eyed with exhaustion,

Over the next few days, all 33 will be contacted by the Gulf Support Group, who will offer them advice and counselling. A group spokesman said: "Every hostage is reacting in a different way. Many will find it difficult to come to terms with leaving others behind; fellow hostages who perhaps became their friends.

Some of the hostages said that they had not eaten properly and others talked about the stress they suffered, as part of a human shield for a war that could erupt at any moment.

Ronald Eccles, aged 42, one of the released hostages and director of the Common Cold and Nasal Research Centre at University College, Cardiff, said that some of those left behind had health problems because of the stress. "People have been developing heart trouble and diabetes. If they had any medical problems in the past, they are

flaring up." Maureen Wilbraham who had stayed behind with her husband Tony, who has lung cancer, returned to their home in Blackpool and spoke about how they had to tell the Iraqis that he was dying. Mr Wilbraham had been diagnosed as having cancer before he went to Kuwait to work on a motorway construction project but had managed to convince himself he

would be cured. "When I had the treatment in this

country I had to believe I was cured. I had been told I was going to live through it. But in Iraq things were desperate. I had to make the big mental leap from convincing myself I was cured to admitting I was dying. I had to shout out loudly that I had cancer, that I was dying." he said.

The couple now face financial problems. Their salaries and savings

were seized when the Iraqis invaded Kuwait, "We stand very little chance of ever seeing our money again. We have lost thousands of pounds," Mrs Wilbraham said.

Jim Thomson, who arrived home in Horndean, Hampshire, yesterday said that his diet had been only a bowl of rice, stale bread and a boiled egg a day. Mr Thomson, aged 50, an oil company engineer was allowed home because of a heart condition.

Spread of Aids 'to alter course

HOME NEWS

By THOMSON PRENTICE MEDICAL CORRESPONDENT

HETEROSEXUALS with Aids may outnumber homo-sexual sufferers of the disease in Britain within the next five years, scientific advisers to the government said yesterday.

The number of men and women developing the disease from heterosexual contact is likely to double each year for several years, while the homesexual epidemic appears to have reached its peak.

The predictions were made by Sir David Cox, chairman of a health department working group that produced detailed forecasts two years ago, and Roy Anderson, professor of pure and applied biology at Imperial College, London. They were speaking at a meeting held in Westminster by the all-party parliamentary group on Aids.

The number of hetero-sexual Aids cases has doubled in Britain in the last year, and in the absence of a big medical advance it seems tikely that it will continue to double every year for a while." Sir David

Professor Anderson said he expected heterosexual cases to double every year for al least the next three years. "If we are correct. Aids among heterosexuals will begin catching up with cases among homosexuals and intravenous drug abusers within three or four years. I suspect it will not be until this happens... that there will be the beginnings of changes in behaviour that will influence the course of the epidemic."

According to health department figures, the number of heterosexually acquired Aids cases doubled in the past year to a current total of 240.

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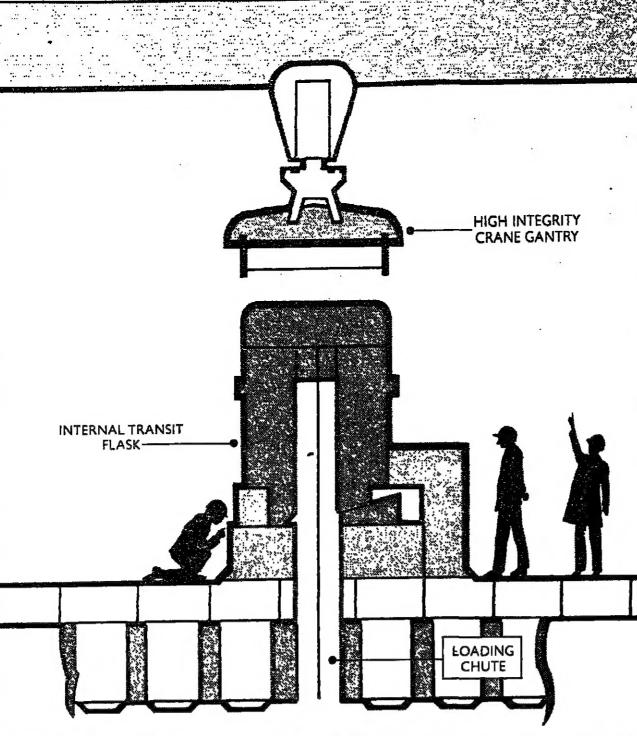
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However, we have brought into operation a process called 'vitrification', in which liquid waste is converted into glass and sealed inside stainless steel containers to be kept safe for the indefinite future.

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Or, to look at it another way, all the high level waste produced at Sellafield in the last 30 years could be contained in just 4 double-decker buses.

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BRITISH NUCLEAR FUELS

Managing waste at Sellafield

Judge tells lawyers to shape up on appeal cases

one of the country's top judges yesterday when they were ective before the appeal was urged to improve their han made.

Appeal that some lawyers appeal while others failed to either failed to understand the appeal process or were mis-using it, accusing them of wrongly regarding the court as providing a second bite at the

legal cherry. In many cases, Lord Don-aldson said, lawyers planning to appeal forgot to apply for a stay of execution of the order in the lower court. If that was

profile'

By JILL SHERMAN SOCIAL SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

HOSPICES will need to market their services aggressively under the health service reforms to ensure both state and voluntary funding, Baronness McFarlane of Llandaff said

Addressing a conference held by the Royal College of Nursing in London, the baronness said that hospices should devise a set of standards that could be negotiated with health authorities when contracts are drawn up under

an internal market.

Although it was difficult to easure outcomes in the care of the terminally ill, hospices should know what makes a good death" and be able to self that package to the appropriate authority. "The hospice sector will have to get in and make bids. We have to be able to say we offer something that in terms of quality is way beyond what one can get in other services."

The baronness, a crossbencher who has consistently lobbied for more resources for the terminally ill, said that hospices would have to compete with other establishments offering care for the terminally ill such as nursing homes and hospitals. Health authorities. would be looking for the best виу.

dling of appeal cases.

Some members of the legal Lord Donaldson, Master of profession also failed to the Rolls, said in his annual understand what was required review of work in the Court of of them when filing a notice of ity to carry on preparing an appeal once the wheels for it had been set in motion. - Simple instructions explain

ing the documentation neche said in his report, The birth, life and death of an appeal Hospices
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The simple instructions sent to them telling them what documentation was required for an appeal and when it was required. "Many appellants, and this is not confined to litigants in person, amount to put off in person, appear to put off until the day after tomorrow what they should have done the day before yesterday."

In some of such problems the Court of Appeal was

handling a huge workload and when necessary the courts could move at high speed. He cited a recent case when a High Court judge sat until 11pm on a Friday night to finish a case involving a teenager whose parents. teenager whose parents. because of their religious beliefs, refused to allow him to have a blood transfusion.

Appeal judges were waiting to hear an appeal immediately after the High Court hearing and had been prepared to sit into the early hours of Saturday morning. In the end

that was unnecessary.

Justice at such speed was possible but could only be achieved by a high degree of informal . co-operation between the trial court, lawyers, judges and court staff, Lord Donaldson added. Almost half of all newly

qualified solicitors in England and Wales are women, according to a survey published today.

Some 47 per cent of the 3,729 admissions to the solicitors' roll during 1989-90 were women, the Law Society report shows. They now made up 23 per cent of the 54,734 solicitors that hold practising certificates.

Law report, page 32

Pollution warnings 'ignore guidelines'

WARNINGS about air pollution were included in weather people not to take exercise forecasts for the first time yesterday, but the government was criticised last night for ignoring World Health Organisation guidelines in the new system.

Air quality is to be designated very good, good, poor or very poor according to the levels of car and industrial fumes in the air. A spokeswoman for Friends of the Earth, the environmental pressure group, said that, at the "good" level, air quality would exceed WHO guidelines, and 20 per cent of the

population would be at risk.
David Trippier, the
environment minister, said at
yesterday's launch, however, that a medical advisory group had been appointed to advise the government next spring about the level at which low ozone affected sensitive

He rejected suggestions that the group's report would be Green growth is a myth and too late, and pointed out that. Mrs Thatcher has invented a too late, and pointed out that, while there had been a problem with low levels of ozone in interest in the environment. London this summer, it could David Gee, director of not not be repeated in winter. Mr Trippier said it would be environmental conference

The minister said he was

particularly sensitive to the problems of air pollution, as his son aged nine and father aged 81 suffered from asthma. Britain's air quality was gen-erally good, he added, and the health department said that air pollution in this country was unlikely to threaten

Much of the solution lay in controlling emissions from cars, Mr Trippier said, and the government was committed to EC legislation that would cause all cars to be fitted with catalytic convertors by 1993.

The air quality information will come from ten air sensors around the country. FOE said, however, that a two-tier pollu-tion map of Britain would be created, and if people received health warnings it would be because they lived where data was collected.

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City colleges 'have raised standards' By CRAIG SETON

CTTY technology colleges have helped to promote competition and raise standards, opened or planned. John MacGregor, the education secretary, said yesterday.

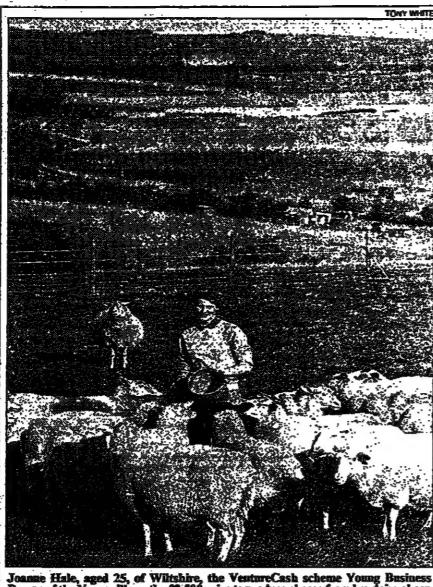
Mr MacGregor defended government policy to set up 20 colleges and denied claims by Labour that the colleges were expensive white ele-phants that had failed to attract the level of industrial sponsorship for which the government had hoped.

Mr MacGregor, who was opening a building for sixth formers at Kingshurst city technology college in Solihuli, West Midlands, the first building of its kind, said that the 20 now taking 150 direct entrants per cent contribution from at 16-plus for vocationally. industry towards funding the orientated qualifications and colleges was in line with what an international baccalaurethe government had sought, atc. Its main sponsor is Han-He said that the government son ladustries.

was on target to establish 20 colleges, 14 of which were

Mr MacGregor said that the colleges were proving that employers wanted to employ young people whose education included substantial exposure to modern technology and the best possible command of literacy, numeracy and analytical ability. They had in-troduced flexibility and increased parental choice in the state education system.

Kingsburst was opened in 1988 and since then has accepted 189 pupils at the age of 11 each year. The college is



Joanne Hale, aged 25, of Wiltshire, the VentureCash scheme Young Business Person of the Year, will use the £2,500 prize to produce cheese from her dairy sheep

Farmers demand action over plight of agriculture

ABOUT 1,500 farmers are expected to gather at Central Hall, Westminster, today to demand action to halt the deepening recession in agri-culture. According to the National Farmers' Union, which has called the meeting, the plight of the farming industry poses a threat not only to the entire rural economy but to the countryside itself.

Farmers have cried wolf so often that others can be excused a certain scepticism, but this time claims of a crisis are hard to refute. NFU estimates, based on government statistics, are that farm incomes have declined by 9 per cent a year in real terms since the early 1980s. Earnings from lowland livestock and cereal farms were 85 per cent lower in 1989-90 than in 1982-83. About 60,000 jobs have been lost in the past decade and annual investment in fixed capital is barely half what it was six years ago.

As if that were not enough, the European Commission is proposing a 30 per cent cut in farm support by 1996 to prevent the collapse of the current round of negotiations on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt). Britain has backed the commission but most other EC members refuse to consider a move that would, they say, bankrupt millions of

The call for the ending of all

The National Farmers' Union says that the rural economy is under threat. John Young reports

farm subsidies has been led by the Cairns group, which in-cludes Australia, New Zealand, and several countries in Latin America and southeast Asia. They argue that they are efficient low-cost producers, rely on free access to world markets and in most cases cannot afford to subsidise their farmers. The most vociferous opponent of the EC common agricultural policy, however, is the United States, which is demanding a 75 per cent cut in support over the next 10 years.

To free market enthusiasts the Cairns argument is irresistible. Remove all subsidies, they say, and everyone will be able to buy food in an openly competitive world market. From a British point of view a free market would almost certainly create further balance of trade difficulties, but much more important are the social and environmental drawbacks. For nearly a century between the repeal of the Corn Laws in 1846 and the start of the Second World War British farming languished and much

of the countryside was derelict. Europe learnt a painful lesson during the war years but its drive for self-sufficiency had worrying side-effects: despoli-ation of much of the countryside, big increases in the use of chemicals, and "mountains" of

unwanted produce.
With the mountains once again on the increase, the NFU president, Sir Simon Gourlay, recognises that agricultural expenditure must be curbed, but he insists that a straight price cut is too blunt a weapon and will destroy thousands of family farms. Instead he favours supply management, namely the control of production by a system of quotas; the encouragement of non-intensive livestock systems; and compelling all farmers to leave a proportion of land un-

cultivated and ungrazed.

The last of these will please no one. For farmers neglected land is a wasting asset, and it offers no benefits for the environment. Today's meeting will be long on rhetoric but will not offer any solutions. • Unemployment in the 27

designated rural development areas and two coalfield closure areas in England fell by nearly per cent from 49,473 to 45,612 between April and July this year. This brought the overall rate down to 3.8 per cent compared with a national average of 5.2 per cent.





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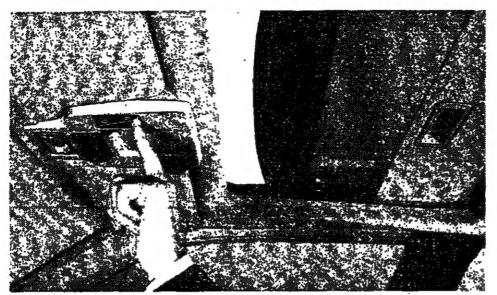


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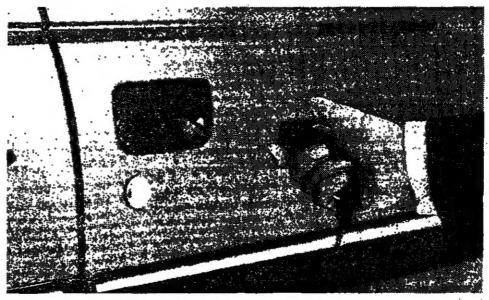


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Parkinson blames 'myopic' planners for traffic chaos

rail networks, Cecil Parkin-son, the transport secretary,

transport, which is largely responsible for the transport don and the South-East, Mr Parkinson said.

Addressing the Freight five years, combined with the Transport Association's annual conference in London, muters on Network South-Mr Parkinson defended the government's opposition to integrated transport planning saying the policy had proved to be an unmitigated failure in

said: "We will develop periph- logistics and start-up costs cral towns like Basingstoke, meant if was not a Hemel Hempstead, Miller Keynes, and Stevenage, and everyone will go and live there improving road and rail links

That belief could not have been more wrong, he said. "Defending the govern-ment's "balanced approach" to transport, Mr Parkinsonsaid an integrated transport policy would lead to planners deciding how many people should be allowed to use what form of transport, "Our plan-ners have a record of unmit-

gramme of investment in rail the 21st century.

would enable people to make yesterday accused of breach-their own travel choices. ing its equality policy and The idea that the planners' ignoring staff from ethnic ware sensible and the people minorities in a management were sensible and the people were senseless was not borne. Pointing to the FI per cent A report by the courreduction in commuting into mission for Racial Equality, London by car over the past published yesterday, found five years, combined with the that when London Underground Ltd created 250 mid-

East, Mr Packinson said:

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fire, 29 per cent of applica-

the CRE, said: "Over 20,000

people work for LUL and

back in the early 1950s, but

tionately concentrated in the

London Underground said:

"The criticisms in the report

are historical and relate to a

period of change in the culture

of London Underground."

He said he was originally the past.

Mr Parkinson added: "Why pricing, a method of charging have we problems in London metorists for using busy roads solution to London's traffic

> Defending the govern-ment's record on the environment, Mr Parkinson said not

John Prescott, Labour's transport spokesman, accused Mr Parkinson of blindly attacking the messenger an

Mr Prescott said: "It was the growth in cars would have disastrous consequences for our cities. The politicians



Designer kiss: Yves Saint Laurent greeting a model wearing a wedding dress at the

Crowd rises for show of emotion

THE fashion crowd rose to skirts, as well as trousers the end of his lengthy show in

A standing ovation at a Saint Laurent fashion show, however, does not necessarily mean that it has been an outstanding collection. He did show wonderful clothes and staged a colourful finale of harem pants, beaded bustiers and embroidered boleros in-Russes, but the emotional applause was more in relief that the man himself had appeared to take his bow.

Six months ago he was taken to hospital a few days before his show suffering from nervous exhaustion. With an annual group turnover of \$611 million and predictions of a \$1 billion business by 1998, it was only natural that people should ask how long could he go on. In fact he was back at work by May and prepared the shown in Paris in July.

This season a blackamoor print with dervish dancers in a pattern mixed with colourful stripes was used in berber pants, bare-midriff tops and embroideries. It is a theme that he has used many times before but which looks no less effective or contemporary.

infocused way with many Saint Laurent favourites pa-

the show flourished with a coats over short skirts or trousers looked fresh in his new mix of colours: tobacco pink, and saffron lined in

The lace that Saint Laurent couture collections reappear-White crunchy lace was tai-lored into a blazer and worn sole. A series of black lace and silk lingerie dresses is an idea seen elsewhere in Paris but which Saint Laurent does best. bands of white lace, worn strapless, off-the-shoulder or in a one-shouldered line, were

less successful. At this point he revved up He even re-created the showcollection, a sizzling long slink of black lace slit up one side and held together with satin lace with scarlet bows.

It was a polished, if familiar, The show opened in an exercise from the Saint Laurent repertoire and one it is hoped that he will be able to

Government to ring changes for phone duopoly

RADIO announcements of services whereas doing noth cut-price telephone calls be-ing would perpetuate the sta-

s and other equipment drives prices down and newly American cable and media licensed telephone companies interests are waiting to invest

About 15 per cent of households do not have a telephone, ures. Companies seeking to compete with British Telecom Mercury Communications say that these homes right find they can soon afford a telephone as rentals and

installation fees fall sharply. Parts of the country without cable television may also soon. be able to dial television channels on the telephone. British Telecom could be allowed to supply these services to such areas sooner han expected to compensate

for increased competition. These are some of the outcomes that might emerge after a government review of the industry. Peter Lilley, the trade and industry secretary, is expected to issue a consultative document in the next few days with a pronounce-

ment in the new year. At issue is the six-year duopoly of British Telecom and Mercury with which companies owning or in the pro-cess of building networks are clamouring to compete. They include British Rail, the Post Office, British Waterways and the country's 135 cable television companies. A free-forall could have a damaging effect on the economy and

groups say, has done little for

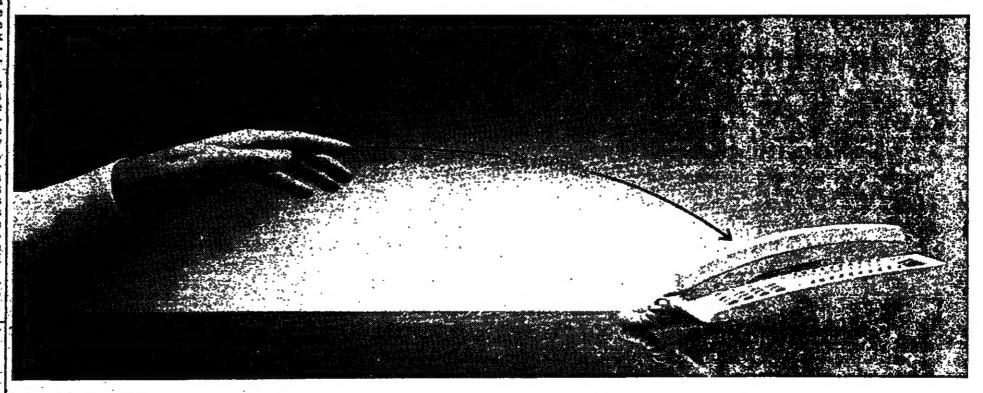
become common in com, worth £8 billion. The npt subscribers with attrac- £5 billion in the British cable are keen to offer local tele-

panies have to deal with one of the two dropoly companies, making call charges more means that cable companies to a competitor. Most experts agree that the government will operator. Instead the outcome of the review may conclude that several private trunk telephone operators are licensed with which cable com-

favorrites is British Rail's new which has a big telecor cations network already in place. Local cable companies connected to these networks could then switch calls through Mercury's lines in the morning BRT's in the after noon and another in the had the cheapest rates.

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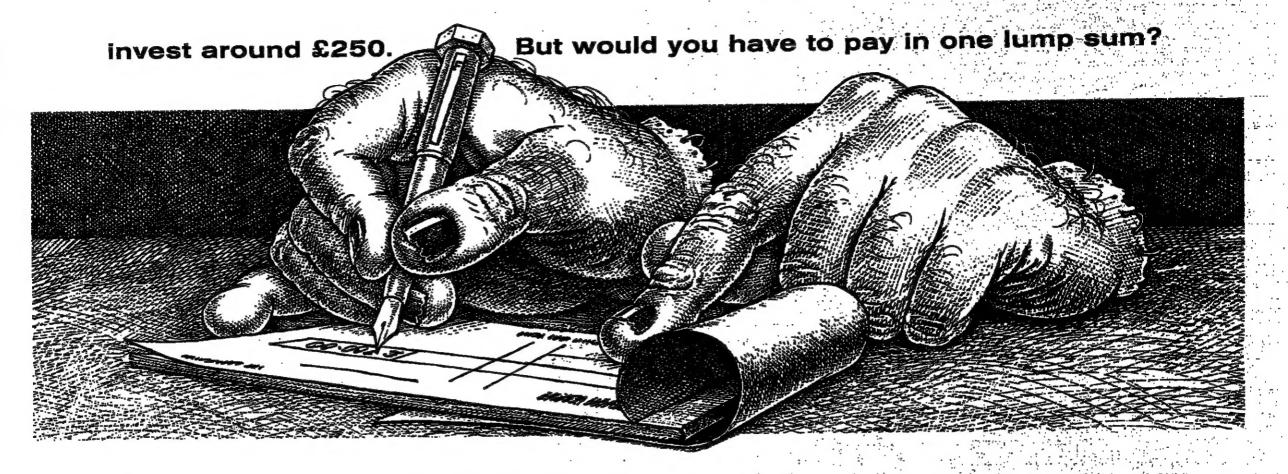
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Daytime cure for health service delays

Increasing day surgery could help to cut hospital waiting lists, which are at a peak, Jill Sherman reports

HOSPITAL waiting lists could be cut by a third if more operations were carried out as day surgery, according to a report published today by the Audit Commission.

About 300,000 more patients could be treated at no extra cost if routine procedures such as hernias, varicose veins and cataracts were done as day cases, rather than in-patient operations, the commission says.

Individual audits will now be carried out in every district in England and Wales lo assess performance. Where this is poor, targets for expanding day surgery will be agreed with managers and

As part of its first study into the health service, the commission looked at 20 common procedures that could all be performed on a day basis, including the removal of breast lumps, circumcision and pregnancy termination. The 20 operations account for 30 per cent of all surgical procedures. In 1985, 794,000 operations

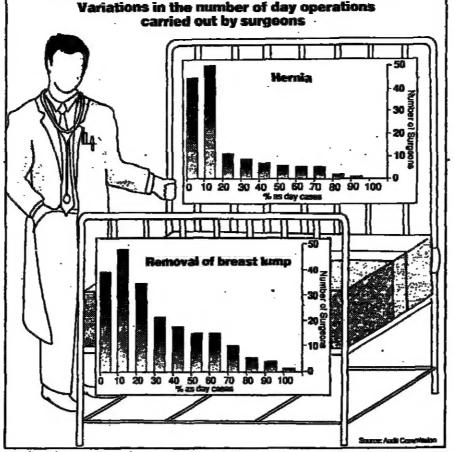
were carried out as day cases. The commission con-cluded that if all 192 health authorities did as much day surgery as the top 25 per cent districts, £31 million would be saved in a year. This would then pay for a further 300,000 day-case

Most of the money would be saved through nursing costs, estimated at £118 per in-patient operation for a four-day stay, against £8 for a day-surgery case. With other overheads the report estimates that day surgery is 30 per cent cheaper.

Howard Davies, the commission controller, said that with waiting lists standing at a high of 960,000, managers and surgeons should have an incentive to change existing practices to try to reduce the number of people waiting. The NHS management board has already said that both managers and authori-ties would be penalised financially if they failed to

meet waiting list targets.
Studies from the Royal College of Surgeons had argued that day surgery was as good if not better than inpatient treatment and that re-admission rates were lower. There was also no evidence that patients undergoing day surgery needed more

Patients were often treated sooner because more surgery could be done for the same



away from home. "There is significant scope for more ffective use of resources. Day surgery is recognised by geons to be safe and

patients like it. "If more operations were done in this way, waiting lists

could he quickly brought down with little or no additional expenditure," Mr Davies said. He suggested that under health service reforms. which are to implemented next April, managers should specify that a percentage of

operations should be carried out as day cases in the contracts they draw up with Hospitals with day units

could compete for business as they would be able to offer lower treatment costs. The

that health authorities are, on average, carrying out between 200 and 250 day cases per bed per year when

this could be as high as 346. Managers were hesitant to provide day-care units and designated wards because they feared that any move towards day surgery would lead to additional patients being treated, rather than being used as a more efficient. substitute for in-patients, "thereby posing a threat to their cash-limited budgets".

Although most districts had at least one day-surgery unit they were often poorly managed with some units being used for procedures that could be done in outpatient departments.

Many surgeons and anaesthetists were reluctant to switch to day surgery because they preferred traditional approaches, lacked the skills or knowledge of new quicker techniques, believed that patients preferred to stay in hospital, or feared that the mality of care would be inferior, the report says. The commission recom-

mends that specialist day-case units, headed by clinical directors, should be provided in all districts and calls on managers and doctors to review the type of operations that could be day cases.

A short cut to better services: Day surgery in England and Wales (Sationery Office; £8.50)

Style changed by modern methods

By Lin Jenkins

THE experience of hospital and surgery has changed beyond recognition for Brendan Devlin, a general surgeon, and his patients since he started performing operations in a day.

With modern methods and anaesthetics it is no longer necessary to have patients, or customers, as Mr Devlin calls them, admitted to hospital thereby taking on the role of being ill. "Once, when I rang a GP to check on how a patient had responded to a hernia operation done in a day I was told that he was fine and had resumed his place on a stool in his local betting shop within hours," Mr Devlin said.

The change in style has not been easy because the hospital ethos is built on the notion of a patient being ill and needing full-time care. Mr Devlin says, however, that it is simply not the case that a large number of people requiring general surgery are ill to that extent. "Once they are in for a few days you introduce to them the whole idea of beds, nurses and doctors and they take on the role of being ill. With day care you do not convert a customer, there to have a service carried out, into a petient." Often the surgery

does not amount to even day

care. Mr Devlin operates on patients in Stockton-on-Tees and many arrive in the morning and are released at lunchtime. Others then arrive for the afternoon session and go home at the end of the day. Checks are made to ensure that patients are fit enough to leave and that there is someone to take

"There are a large number of operations which can be done in this way as the result of a breakthrough in technique and the changing perceptions of patients who realise that needing an operation does not necessarily mean they are ill in the traditionally accepted sense," Mr Devlin said. "There is, however, a great deal about how hospitals are operated which has to change before the vast number of operations which could be done in a day are done in that manner.

Mr Devlin said that the removal of skin blemishes, breast biopsies, circumcisions, cateract operations, hernias and wisdom teeth removals could usually be done in a day. "These days it is not a question of coming round from an operation and being sick because of the anaesthetic. People come round within minutes and are well enough to go home."

Church urges freer giving

By RUTH GLEDHILL, RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS REPORTER

CHURCHGOERS should be when the church is facing million a day running costs, according to a report pub-

lished today.
Noting St Paul's dictum that "God loves a cheerful giver"; the report says that people in poor areas often give more freely than in apparently more affluent neighbourhoods. With the church facing increasing expenses for mission and ministry, too many churchgoers and clergy are unwilling even to talk about money, according to the re-port, which calls for "dramatic changes in attitude and practice'

Brigadier Nigel Speller, stewardship adviser to the Exeter diocese and a member report, said: "It is reminding people about the importance of giving money as part of

"It is more comfortable to talk about other subjects, such as time, talents, giving of

The report comes at a time by post)

Firms to be

tried over

tunnel death

The five British firms building

the Channel tunnel were yes-

terday committed for trial at Maidstone Crown Court.

They are being prosecuted by

the Health and Safety Exec-

utive after the death of Garv

Woodward, aged 32, of Shef-

field, who was crushed in the

Balfour Beatty Construc-tion Ltd. Costain Civil En-

gineering Ltd. Tarmac Construction Ltd. Taylor Wood-

row Construction Ltd and

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each faces one charge under

999 call ignored

A police sergeant has been found guilty of misconduct over an incident where a boy.

aged six, spent nearly ten

hours beside his murdered

mother's body after making a

999 call from his Taunton

home. It was said the sergeant

ignored the first of two emer-

gency calls. The control room

sergeant, who has not been

named, will face the chief

coins has been found by a

metal detector enthusiast to

the south of Milton Keynes.

Buckinghamshire. The find,

on the site of the Roman town

of Magiovinium, dates from

about AD270 and includes

Prison hostage

set police on November 7.

Fake find

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health and safety laws.

tunnel a year ago.

prepared to give more gen-erously to the Church of Decade of Evangelism begins England to help to meet its £1 next year; many dioceses have new church urban and rural projects and the church is hoping for an increase in stipendiary clergy.

The income from investments covers only about one third of the church's running costs so parishioners contributions are vital. In spite of a resolution passed by the General Synod in 1982 calling for church members to make a half-tithe to the church, or 5 per cent of their net income, church members donate on average about 2.5 per cent of net income. That figure includes the millions of pounds given to church and cathedral appeals each year.

Many Sunday churchgoers of the group that wrote the put little more than £1 in the collection plate. Of the 1.16 million church members in England, about 400,000 covcomfortable talking about nucleus of people may often give far more than the average while a large number give

as time, talents, giving of abilities. We have produced this report as a gentle reminder to people of the facts

Receiving and Giving: The Basis, Issue and Implications of Christian Stewardship (Church House Bookshop, Great Smith) St, London SWIP 3BN; £2.10

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constable of Avon and Somer-Euro MPs to clean up the Greenpeace says that eight firms are polluting the river with chemicals known to A third-century hoard of harm the human reproductive materials and equipment for system. Five, it says, pump making counterfeit Roman cancer-causing chemicals into

ing local authorities, MPs and

the system. Scientists from the group say eels in the Mersey have mercury levels three times higher than EC safety limits. DDT, although banned in Britain, continues to pollute long after use. PCBs are very toxic pesticide residues.

A prisoner held a 17-year-old inmate hostage at Armley Jail, still being dumped into the Leeds, for 14 hours before river. We must begin to make releasing him at Ham yes-terday. The Manchester man, a start in clearing it up now." The National Rivers Au-thority said: "Several comaged 20, blocked his cell door with lockers and beds. A senior official denied the panies have had licences to discharge for a number of man's allegation that his mail years, but we can understand was being stopped.

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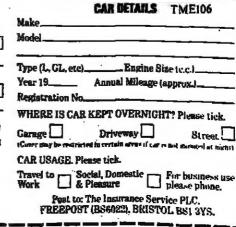
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Labour and Tories look for way out of their EC nightmare

European questions, only one party is enjoying life. Europe, Paddy Ashdown says, is the issue of the future and the Liberal Democrats are ready to be the party of the firme.

Meanwhile, Neil Kinnock is struggling painfully to wrench his party to face that future while. Margaret Thatcher gloomily contemplates divisions the size of the San Andreas Fault running down the cabinet table on matters.

It is easy for Mr Ashdown. His party carries less baggage. It is easy to talk of pooling sovereignty when you are unlikely to have any to pool. But both the Conservative divisions and Lab... in Rome this weekend and the currency ("evolutionary" is now

's political cebate in our's increasing problems were Britain comes more and highlighted by the debate this more to be dominated by week on Britain's entry into the exchange rate mechanism.

Neil Kinnock's fibe that in refusing to participate in the debate Mrs Thatcher was becoming a "crypto-Trappist" was a near revenue. She did not speak because ERM entry was for her a defeat, not a victory.

She was persuaded to go in because she was twitching about interest rates as she has twitched since about education policy and about child benefit. The only safe way to achieve the interest rate cut she deemed a political necessity was under the ERM umbrella. As far as she is concerned, it stops there. ERM entry is the end of the line, not the beginning. She plans to go into the mini-summit imer-governmental conference on European monetary union in December blazing away at the failings of the EC on Soviet aid, on farm prices and Gatt and on the Gulf confrontation.

But other ministers see ERM entry, as they saw the original Madrid formula, as the beginning of an inevitable process that eventually will take a reluctant Britain into some more intensive form of economic and monetary co-operation in Europe.

ohn Major, well aware that the Tory party's backers in business are far keener on European co-operation than sovereignty-obsessed Tory MPs, sees the hard-ecu plan as offering evolutionary progress to a single

code for nothing meaningful happening this side of a general election).

While emphasising that the government remained as opposed as ever to the "imposition" of a single currency and an independent European central bank, be reminded MPs this week that the hard sen could produce first a parallel currency and then a single currency by consent.

He has the support of Douglas Hurd, who is engaged in the traditional Foreign Office strategy of doing the minimum possible both to satisfy Mrs Thatcher's gut instincts and to prevent Britain's ever being faced with a stack choice between the slow lane and the fast lane of a two-lane Europe.

But, whereas the Major/Hurd

axis sees the hard ecu plan as offering genuine possibilities of greater European union, Mrs Thatcher regards it as no more than a diversionary tactic, and the rest of Europe tends to believe

Mrs Thatcher is the question. Ask her colleagues if British policy on Europe would remain the same under any other potential party leader in the next Parliament and heads invariably wag even if few dare to answer in

Although Neil Kinnock was able to have fun this week with Tory disarray, his attempt to depict Labour as a more truly European party than the Conservatives, however, was uncon-vincing. It was no more appropriate, he said, for such an unaccountable institution to handle monetary policy than it was for it to handle public expenditure and taxation policies for democratic countries. Currency union would require joint growth strategies, fiscal co-ordination and regional policies "on an unprecedented scale". Labour sources concede that he would go no further than Mrs Thatcher will at the inter-governmental con-

When Mrs Thatcher was still insisting that the time was not right and keeping Britain out of the ERM while John Smith was urging that we should go in, Labour was able to pin the better European" label on its lapels. But now that that advantage has gone, Mr Kinnock is trying to have the best of both

He is still claiming the title

with nothing but the rhetoric to distinguish his position from Mrs Thatcher's. Saying that Labour is in favour of greater economic cooperation and "convergence" in Europe while setting conditions that the rest of the EC has not the slightest intention of meeting is polo politics with a hole right

Kinnock is now developing his own Madrid formula. He too is playing the game of "when the time is ripe". For the truth is that he dare not go out too far ahead of the government for fear that Mrs Thatcher will yet play an anti-Brussels little England card in the next election if he does. The British public, he and Mrs Thatcher agree, is not yet ready

Beckett makes her mark as shadow cabinet rising star

THE rise of Margaret Beckett, the fall of Bryan Gould and the long overdue arrival of Ann Taylor were the eyecatching features of the results yesterday of the annual elections to Labour's shadow

With only one change in composition, the replacement of Joan Lestor by Mrs Taylor. the contest represented a strong vote of confidence by Labour MPs in the team assisting Neil Kinnock. through a year in which he has always been ahead in the opinion polls.

As usual, the results were a fairly accurate form guide, with the votes of the incumbents going up and down according to MPs' perceptions of their performance in the past 12 months. But the lasting consequence of this year's contest could be a subtle but important change in the behaviour of that group of Labour politicians who have chosen two routes to power in the party, the national execunive and the shadow cabinet.

Many of the figures who would hold the top jobs in a Labour government, such as John Smith and Gordon Brown, who finished top and second in yesterday's poli, do: not even try to get on the executive, which is elected at the conference by the party at

Shortly before six members of his shadow cabinet voted against him in the key national executive debate on defence before the Blackpool conference, Mr Kinnock told them that he would expect absolute loyalty through collective cabinet responsibility in government:

The message of the per-liamentary party to the rebels yesterday appeared to be that he had every right to expect it in opposition as well. Four of

Tilbury docks to be sold

Tilbury docks are to be sold into private ownership as soon as legislation can be enacted to give the Port of London Authority

power to sell them. Patrick McLoughlin. junior transport minister. said in a written reply that Cecil Parkinson, transport secretary, had decided so to build on the benefits that had flowed from abolition of the dock labour-scheme. The PLA would retain its present conservancy respon-

Storm help for Scots

Titree Scottish local authorities that suffered "undue financial burden" because of the February storms are to share a government grant of £62,435 to help in repair work. The councils are Highland regional. Inverness district and Perth and Kinross district.

M40 opening

The M40 from London to Birmingham should be open early next year, ear-lier than expected, the transport department said vesterday. Traffic on the Mi between London and the M6 interchange should be reduced by between 7,500 and 8,500 vehicles a day in each direction.

Parliament today Commons (2.30): Questions: Treasury: prime min-ister. Broadcasting bill. Lords aucurdances. Lords (3): Law Reform (Miscellancous Provisions) (Scotland) bill, Commons amendments.





Beckett: assured performer in House and on TV

the six, Miss Lestor, Mr other, also served them well. Gould, John Prescott, and Jo Richardson, seem to have last, eighteenth, elected place despite a good year as the transport spokesman, Mr Gould crashing to seventeenth the rising place and Ms Richardson's cabinet.

vote well down despite the obligation on MPs to vote for at least three women. There was scarcely con-

cealed fury among MPs at colleagues policy aspirations, Blackpool at the ammunition, scaling down their costly in the form of headlines about revolts and solits, which the rebels had gratuitously offered to Labour's opponents; and most of it was directed at Mr Prescott and Mr Gould.

Mrs Beckett, who soared to third place yesterday, and Robin Cook, the shadow health secretary, also voted against Mr Kinnock on that occasion but did not suffer in the same way, apparently because they were voting in line with long-held personal feelings on defence. Their fine performances during the past year, bolstered by the statulory women's vote in one case and the clan-like loyalty of the Scottish contingent in the

Mr Gould's tumbling fall only three years ago he topped been singled out for punish the poll — could also be put ment, with Miss Lestor down to a difficult year in his thrown off, Mr Prescott in the role as shadow environment

> Mrs Beckett, elected for the first time only last year, is now the rising star of the shadow

Displaying all the toughness appropriate to a shadow Treasury chief secretary, she has cast a beady eye over her commitments. In the Commons and on television she has been an assured per-

Mrs Taylor, aged 43, had been widely expected to secure election last year, but MPs' lack of familiarity with the compulsory women's voting ments for the tabling of questions by MPs to ministers are rule may have militated against her. She is one of the dwindling number of Labour MPs to have served in government. She was in the whips' office during the last two years of the Caliaghan government. During the present Parliament she has won acclaim as an environment spokesman.

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Members elected

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John Smith	141	Michael Mescher	
Gordon Brown	138	Ann Clwyd	
Margaret Beckett	133	· Ann Taylor	
Robin Cook	125	Jack Cunningham	
Gerald Kaufman	12f	Barry Jones	
lack Straw	119	Jo Richardson	
David Clark	118 .	Frank Dobson	
Fony Blair	115	Bryan Gould	
Donald Dewar	115	John Prescott	
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Stasi funds 'should be used'

By JOHN WINDER

THE "slush funds" salted away in Germany and abroad by the East German secret police, the Stasi, should be used to aid Eastern Europe, a Conservative MP suggested during questions about de-mocracy in Eastern Europe. William Powell, MP for

Corby, said that he had visited the Stasi headquarters recently and had discovered that they had hoped to return to power on those huge funds. Tristan Garel-Jones, foreign

way back to power. George Robertson, an Op- up and did little good. position spokesman on for-

fund to help Eastern Europe had all been committed and, despite the demand, desire and need for that help, no new projects could be sanctioned

before next April. party's concern for the new using £32 million of British developments as sanctimonious propaganda.

Mr Garel-Jones disagreed and said that no other country was running a similar aid programme. That kind of help office minister, replied that was more useful than the kind the cost to the taxpayer was nil the Stass would not find their of soft loans that hit the this user and would be £32 headlines but were not taken million next year, consid-

eign affairs, said that Britain Lab) said that it would not be sidising the coal industry.

was setting a bad example. lost on the British people The £15 million know-how suffering from high interest rates, rocketing unemployment, and a huge trade deficit that the government was giving a handout over the next two years to help the Germans carry out a takeover - it was That showed up the Tory not unification - and was taxpayers' money to bail out shipyards in east Germany when the government was shutting shipyards in Sunder-

land and Birkenhead. .Mr Garel-Jones said that erably less than the taxpayer Dennis Skinner (Bolsover, had been spending on sub-

CONSTITUTION

Mr Hurd told MPs that

The Foreign Secretary wel-

comed the release of some

hostages in reponse to the

humanitarian appeal by for-mer prime minister Edward

Heath. But he added: "I find it

grisly and repulsive that the

Iraqis should set about decid-

ing who is so sick and so old

that they should be released

from a position in which no

human being should ever have

been placed and in which

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hundreds still remain".

Hurd warning to Israel on killings

By OUR POLITICAL EDITOR

DOUGLAS Hurd, the foreign "Once Iraq is out of Kuwait, secretary, warned the Israeli we must return to this issue". government yesterday that its more than 100 ships from 12 unwillingness to accept the United Nations secretary gencountries were now on patrol eral's mission to investigate the killing of 21 Palestinians enforcing the embargo on Iraq. The Royal Navy had challenged 1,100 vessels and was diverting the UN from its task of getting lraq to with-draw from Kuwait. taken part in ten boarding

Urging the Israelis to think again, Mr Hurd said that their refusal to do so would give President Saddam Hussein a cause that he would exploit

The Foreign Office wants the United Nations to tighten the tourniquet on Iraq with progressively more rigorous resolutions, the latest one to hold Iraq liable to pay compensation to foreign citizens for the damage resulting from its scizure of Kuwait. But Britain is finding security council members preoccupied instead by the Temple Mount Mr Hurd acknowledged the

"awkward time" during his visit to Israel last week, when Palestinian leaders boycotted a planned meeting with him after the foreign secretary was reported to have told a private meeting of Israeli MPs that Britain was opposed to the creation of a Palestinian state. Challenged by the shadow foreign secretary, Gerald Kaufman, to state his position, Mr Hurd said yesterday edged the right of the Palestinians to self-determination but had never advocated a Palestinian state as opposed to

some other solution. Mr Hurd said that the Palestinian cause had been put back by Iraq's seizure of Kuwait and the ambivalent attitude of the PLO to the invasion. He criticised suggestions that President Saddam should be persuaded to withdraw from Kuwait in exchange for an international conference on the Middle

Iraq's withdrawal had to be complete and unconditional

PROCEDURE

Big saving from rule change

to be changed, the Commons decided last night.

At present, hundreds of questions appear on the order paper every day at an estimated annual cost of £1,380,000. New arrangements outlined by Sir Geoffrey Howe, leader of the House, will cut the printing bill alone by £750,000. Under the proposals, MPs will be allowed to put down only two questions a day for oral

Other proposals put for-ward will change the way MPs scrutinise EC regulations. Of-ten these are debated late at night by a few members. In future, a newly constituted scrutiny committee will study them and take evidence.

Delay likely in PR study

electoral system that will almost certainly mean that decisions on elections to the Commons cannot be made by the party until after the country next goes to the polls.

The ruling national executive committee set up a working party headed by Ray-mond Plant, professor of poli-tics at Southampton university, to look at electoral systems for Labour's proposed Scottish assembly, the Euro-pean parliament, the proposed Welsh and English regional assemblies, the proposed elected second chamber and

the House of Commons. The move came after the decision of the annual conference this month, against the wishes of the Labour leadership, to add elections to the Commons to the working party's remit.

The executive decided yes-

THE Labour leadership estab- terday that the group should ing group, has told NEC ual recommendations for

The working party will be expected to give priority to studying systems for the Scot-tish assembly and the European parliament, work that NEC sources predicted last

night would take up most next year. The working party, therefore, is not expected to be in a position to make recommendations about the Westminster Parliament before a general election, which Labour is expecting to come some time next year.

The working party appears to be well balanced, with members ranging from enthu-siasts such as Jeff Rooker and John Evans, to sceptics such as Bryan Gould, Margaret Reckett and Jo Richardson. Professor Plant, the choice

of Neil Kinnock and Roy Hattersley to chair the work- yet to be chosen.

lished a procedure yesterday consider the five institutions sources that he has an open for examining changes in the separately and make individ- mind on proportional representation

The NEC was faced yes terday with conflicting positions, a conference vote that narrowly favoured the inclusion of the Commons in the working party's terms, and the party's policy document Look-ing to the Future, which excluded it. Consideration of proportional representation for Westminster is therefore included but on the understanding that it takes a lower

priority. The other members of the committee are two NEC members, Tom Burlison and Richard Rosser, Professor Ben Pimlott, Alistair Darling, front bench home affairs spokesman, Lord Underhill, Labour's former national agent, Lady Hollis, and a Labour European MP who has

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Gorbachev's envoy in Cairo as new Gulf peace mission begins

A NEW and previously unannounced Soviet Gulf peace mission began in Cairo last night, when President Gorbachev's special envoy, Yevgeni Primakov, arrived from Moscow and began talks with senior Egyptian

Diplomats said that the mission was certain to fuel speculation about a possible negotiated end to the Gulf confrontation after hints this week that Saudi Arabia might favour an eventual territorial compromise with Iraq over Kuwait. Those reports were later strongly denied by King Fahd of Saudi Arabia.

Mr Primakov was quoted by the state-owned Middle East news agency as saying he would continue pressing for a peaceful settlement. "We have not exhausted available opportunities to find a peaceful settlement to the crisis," he told the agency before

his talks began.
According to Soviet sources, Mr Primakov's mission - his second to the region in less than a month - will also include visits to Saudi Arabia and Syria, Egypt's two main Arab allies in the anti-Baghdad coalition and Iraq, which the Soviet official has already visited once in his bectic round of diplomacy. That has also taken him to Washington, London,

THE imminent release of two

young British brothers from Ku-

wait ended tragically when one

was killed and the other was

injured in a cur crash, according to reports reaching Baghdad yester-

day. The two, who are students,

were identified as Alex Duncan, who was killed, and his brother.

Rory, who was in a serious condition at the Sabah hospital in

Kuwait. "These young men were on Ted Heath's list and the Iraqis

were really doing their best to get

them to Baghdad to catch the

Branson flight with the other freed

hostages," said Harold Walker,

the British ambassador to

Baghdad.
The two brothers were on holiday visiting their father, mother and their two sisters in

Kuwait, when Iraq invaded and the family went into hiding. The

women were among the first to be

repatriated to Britain last month

and the boys had the opportunity

During his four-day mission to

Militias

ordered out

of Beirut

by Hrawi

From JUAN CARLOS GUMUCIO

IN BEIRUT

PRESIDENT Hrawi's govern-

ment yesterday ordered all mi-litias to leave Beirut and to hand

over positions to the Lebanese

Army as a first step towards

implementation of a new security

plan for the capital and environs.

The announcement came as thou-

sands of mourners buried Dany

Chamoun, the prominent Chris-

tian politician, his wife and their

two young sons, who were mur-

dered on Sunday, the latest vic-

The government decision un-

derlined Mr Hrawi's determ-

ination to impose his authority and reunify the capital 11 days

after the removal of General

Michel Aoun, the rebel Christian

leader, by Syrian and Lebanese

forces. Edmond Rizk, the inform-

ation minister, said government forces would seize militiz ports

and stop "all illegal and illegit-

imate" taxes levied by the militias.

hours after Abdei-Halim Khad-

affirmed the support of Damascus

for the Lebanese government dur-

ing a surprise symbolic visit to

Beirut. Yesterday's announce-

ment did not set a deadline for the

miliua withdrawal, but govern-

ment sources said President

Hrawi expected to have a militia-

Publicly at least, all militia

leaders have accepted the pian

under which government forces

backed by the Syrian Army will

have exclusive control ever the

17-mile coastal strip from the Dog

river, north of the capital, to the

The plan's toughest test will

come in the next few days. Samir

Geagea, the commander of the

right-wing Lebanese Forces mi-

litia, has to relipquish a strong-

hold in east Beirut, but he has

hinted that he will do so only after

the pro-Iranian Hezboliah com-

pletely abandons the southern

suburbs. Mr Geagea also wants

guarantees for his supporters, who

have been accused by Walid

Jumblatt, the Druze Progressive

Socialist party leader, of being

behind the Chamoun murders. Mr

Jumblatt yesterday led the Chamouns' funeral procession.

Damour river in the south.

free Beirut within 10 days.

The announcement came only

tims of the city's gummen.

Rome and Paris. Since his first meeting with President Saddam Hussein on October 6 in Baghdad, Mr Primakov, one of Moscow's leading Middle East experts has remained almost a lone voice maintaining what he recently called in Peris "prudent optimism" about the chances of a negotiated settlement.

His latest trip coincided with increasing talk of the possibility of an inter-Arab deal with the Iraqi leader which both the United States and Britain have striven beavily to play down. No firm evidence has yet emerged from Baghdad to back Mr Primakov's original claim that Iraq was pre-pared to withdraw from Kuwait if it was able to keep an oilfield and two disputed islands at the head of

The Soviet envoy's claim was flatly denied by Iraq's information minister, but many experienced Middle East observers saw this merely as a step in a bargaining process and did not take it as final. Since his first visit, there have been signs, including petrol rationing that the United Nations embargo on Iraq is beginning to

Diplomatic sources in Cairo said that the Kremlin's latest diplomatic drive appeared de-signed to bridge the gap between

free British hostages, the former

prime minister made a particular

point of pressing home their case to President Saddam Hussein.

Alex Duncan was an undergrad-uate at Balliol, Mr Heath's former

The accident is believed to have

happened on Tuesday morning

soon after the brothers set off from

Kuwait on the eight-hour drive to

Baghdad along a road notoriously congested with both military and

civilian traffic. The Iraqi driver of

the car was injured and taken to

hospital, and an escort from the

Iraqi ministry of foreign affairs died in the crash. "The awful irony is that the Iraqis were being helpful, trying to rush these young men to the airport," Mr Walker

Last night the British embassy

was trying to obtain permission

from the Iraqi authorities to send

its consul to visit Rory Duncan in

hospital and persuade Baghdad to

allow the father to return home

passionate grounds. The embassy

was also trying to organise the repatriation of Alex Duncan's body. "We are doing what we can

but dealing with a problem in

Kuwait is very difficult," Mr

[Kuwait is now a dying city

where basic services are breaking

down, according to a report which

has just reached the British gov-

ernment (Andrew McEwen

writes). The source has not been

identified but is described in Whitehall as "highly reliable". It says there are serious bread short-

ages, no eggs or fresh fruit and

very little meat. Prices of some

foods, such as tinned tuna, have

increased by 400 per cent, and

there is no organised rationing

system. The quality of the water

supply is declining, rubbish is accumulating in the streets, most

schools are closed and only 20 per

cent of children are still receiving

education. Commercial life has

almost ceased and the only people

still working are the civil servants.

The standard of civil administra-

Morale among the Iraqi forces is

said to have been undermined by

uncertainty and lack of food, with

the troops receiving only one meal

of rice and bread 2 day.

tion is described as "chaotic".

Walker said.

Oxford coilege.

Young Briton dies

in Kuwait crash

the insistence of the moderate Arab states of Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Syria for an unconditional Iraqi withdrawal and President Saddam's continuing public refusal to contemplate a pullout.

The central issue that I think Mr Primakov will be handling will be the element of timing," a European diplomat said.

Mr Primakov's arrival in Egypt coincided the imminent return of President Muberek from a Gulf tour which has included talks with King Fahd in Saudi Arabia.

Opposition political sources in the Egyptian capital and third world diplomats claimed yesterday that the Egyptian president had been trying to arrange an Arab summit in Cairo in November attended both by Iraq and Kuwait, but there has been no official confirmation of these reports.

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On October 16, President
Gorbachev's chief spokesman,
Vitaly Ignatenko, backed Mr
Primakov's optimistic assessment, but gave no details. "I can
only tell you that we are today
more able to look more optimistically at the prospect of a political settlement in the Gulf region," he told reporters then in Moscow, adding that the details would be

known "within one or two weeks". On Tuesday, the conservative Moscow daily, Sovietskaya Ros-siya said the Soviet Union should cut back co-operation with the United States over the Gulf crisis and play a mediating role. In an unusually critical commentary on Soviet policy, the paper said Moscow would suffer from any conflict in the Gulf, while Washington was building forces and influence in the region.

"We had and still have economic interests in Iraq (the source of a third of our hard currency income) ... at the moment the authority of the USSR among the Arabs is still high enough for us to play a peace making role," the paper said. "This would be far more humanitarian than discussions with (the US defence secretary Richard) Cheney about military aspects of the situation."

When Mescory inited Weet.

When Moscow joined Washington in condemning Iraq's occupation of Kuwait on August 2 it cut off large arms supplies to Baghdad. The Soviet Union in turn lost Iraqi oil supplies, much of which would have been reexported for vital foreign

Moscow said last month it was ready to send troops to the Gulf under a United Nations flag, but insisted that Iraq must be forced from Kuwait by peaceful means. Conservative communist deputies in Moscow have attacked the Soviet government for consid-Moscow's disastrous nine-year war in Afghanistan.

• SAUDI ARABIA: The United Nations trade embargo is curbing fuel supplies to Iraq's armed forces but there is no sign of any pull back to northern Kuwait, Britain's Gulf force commander

said yesterday. "I think we can see that the refinement of crude oil to aviation fuel, lubricants to tanks and other vehicles is becoming more of a problem for him (President Saddam Hussein)," Air Chief Marshal Sir Patrick Hine told reporters.

Air Chief Marshal Hine, visiting the "Desert Rats" armoured brigade in northeastern Saudi Arabia, said there was evidence that the embargo, enforced by an inter-national armada in the Guif region, was beginning to bite.

He spoke a day after Iraq began petrol rationing in an effort to ensure adequate supplies of imported chemicals and additives to refine fuel for its million-strong

"It would be surprising if the squeeze were not hurting in one or two ways ... Life will get more difficult for him as time goes by," declared Air Chief Marshal Hine, (Renger)



At the ready: with the Saudi Arabian sun beating down, British troops from armoured personnel carriers show their preparedness for action as they get in line at Jubail Port

US pollution law may fall victim to budget impasse

THE most sweeping anti-pollu-tion legislation in American history, a long-awaited bill to help poor working Americans pay for child care and proposed cuts in farm subsidies, could become casualties of a protracted impasse between Congress and the White House over how to cut the federal budget deficit.

Congress have said they must pass these important pieces of legislation before they adjourn - ideally, as soon as possible — to their home states for the final stages of midterm re-election campaigns. An outbreak of partisan bickering over how to tax millionaires, however, has dented legislators' hopes for a swift end to the longrunning budget conflict and is using up valuable time.

Already the budget mess has claimed as almost certain victims bills designed to limit spending on congressional elections, restrict he number of appeals available to death-row prisoners and tighten regulations on the cable television dustry. On the borderline are bills on immigration and housing.

The problem is not so much that we do not have time to debate the bills as we lack the time to resolve the wildly diverging House and Senate versions," one coneressional aide said.

At the start of the week, the White House and members of Congress appeared close to a deal to cut \$500 billion (£257 billion) from the deficit over the next five years after a compromise at the veckend to increase the marginal rate of tax on top-earners to 31 per cent from 28 per cent. But the increasing scepticism by Americans — ran into trouble on Tuesday when Democrats in the House of Representatives failed to show general support for a final package under discussion. However, the cloud of a voter backlash election next month if no deal is

greement this week In the words of Lloyd Bentsen, the Democratic chairman of the Senate finance committee: "The reaction is 'Let's get the job done' and get it behind us'." President Bush has been counting on widespread Democratic support for the package since conservative members of his own party have indicated he cannot rely on their support to pass a plan that reverses his "no new taxes" 1988 campaign pledge, especially while Republicans are running in state

and local elections. At issue, with only hours remaining before a midnight deadline when the government's temporary authority would expire, was the Democrats' wish to levy more revenues on millionaires by imposing a surcharge of as much as 10 per cent on income and their opposition to an increase on petrol tax and cuts on medical benefits for the elderly. Republicans prefer to raise taxes on the wealthy by

cutting income tax deductions. The Republican leaders of the House and Senate, Robert Michel and Robert Dole, consulted with Mr Bush at the White House for two hours on Tuesday night to see if he would compromise on the surtax issue. The Democrats are poised to accuse the president of protecting the rich if he refuses to sign a deficit plan that contains a surtax on the 60,000 wealthiest

On Capitol Hill, opinion was mixed about whether congressional efforts would reach a final accord this week in time for Congress to recess and return day on November 6. Democrats and Republicans blamed each other for the impasse. Barring a recall to Washington by Mr Bush in the event of a national emergency, legislators are scheduled to break until the start of the 102nd session in early January, Failure to reach an agreement on the budget deficit could prompt the first lame-duck session of Congress since 1982 if members are forced to return after election day.

Meanwhile, House leaders said they were willing to introduce another emergency spending bill designed to keep the federal government operating after a mid-night deadline. Mr Bush, clearly irritated with the latest impasse in the budget negotiations, has not said whether he would sign the fourth such stopgap bill in four weeks. Earlier, he indicated he would be prepared to keep open government services if Congress was making sufficient progress on an imminent deal.

Meanwhile, the Senate yesterday failed to override President Bush's veto of a civil rights bill that would have made it easier for workers to win job discrimination suits. The 66-34 vote was one short of the two-thirds majority needed to override a veto.

opponent, a vile personal slur

is the next best way to defeat

him. Thus in Florida one can-

didate's past clinical depression

Elizabeth Dole leaves Bush team

From Martin Flercher IN WASHINGTON :-M CHARLES BREMNER IN NEW YORK

ELIZABETH Dole, the highestranking woman in the Bush administration, yesterday announced her resignation as labour secretary, the first cabinet member to step down since President Bush took office. She is to become president of the American Red

Some reports here yesterday said that Mrs Dole had felt "frozen out" of the administration's policy-making process and had been treated with suspicion by some officials because she is the wife of Robert Dole, the Senate Republican minority leader who ran against Mr Bush for the presidential nomination in 1988. She was not true of the presidential modification of the presidential nomination in 1988. not one of the president's inner circle and it was widely noted, for example, that John Sununu, the White House chief of staff, led the administration's minimum wase negotiations with Congress in 1989.

Publicly, however, Mrs Dole aged 54, gave no indication of unhappiness when she made the announcement at the White House yesterday. She praised Mr. Bush, who was standing by her side. Having served in every administration since Lyndon Lohnson's a quarter of a crutury Johnson's a quarter of a century ago, she was said by friends to be looking for a new challenge. She will nearly double her salary, from \$98,400 (£50,600) to \$185,000, when she joins the Red Cross in January, and she is also said to be interested in running for elected office herself, most likely challenging a Democratic senator in her native North Carolina in 1992. Mrs Dole, formerly President

Reagan's transportation secretary until she resigned in 1987 to help her husband's presidential campaign, had a low profile as labour secretary, her only conspicuous success being to resolve the miners strike in Appalachia carlier this year. Most recently she had begun to consider ways to remove the "glass ceiling" preventing women from achieving top jobs.

She is the only woman in the Bush cabinet and her departure next mouth will leave Carla Hills. the US trade representative, as the administration's most senior woman. There was speculation yesterday that Mr Bush might replace Mrs Dole with Lynn Martin, the Republican congress. woman who is fighting a losing battle for the Senate seat held by Democrat Paul Simon in Illinois

On the same day, a Republican congressman, Donald Lukens of Ohio, resigned yesterday rather than face a second charge of sexual misconduct. Convicted last year of having sex with a teenager, the



Mrs Dole: leaving to head the American Red Cross

House ethics committee was examining a new charge that he had harrassed a woman lift operator on Capitol Hill.

In another political development, it seems that if the American president were ap-pointed by political reporters, the race for 1992 would be almost. over. Mario Cuomo, the governor of New York state, would already have landed the Democratic nomination and now be closing in on the White House.

Until the past couple of months, wisdom held that the governor would be wasting his time in a race. against a popular, incumbent Republican in 1992. All that has clianced with the mood swine of this autumn - the jitters over the Gulf, the onset of recession, and the damage wrought on Mr Bush's authority by the budget debacle.

The old liberal themes of compassion and social justice have resurfaced as potential winners, and no one embodies them better than Mr Cuomo, the New York trial lawyer and champion of the underdog. A recent survey of party activists by the National Journal found Mr Coomo the overwhelming choice as 1992 candidate. Commentators from Richard. Nixon, one of Mr Cuomo's admirers on the right; to the left-wine-Nation have been singing the governor's praises as the ideal man for the times. It said: "When Coomo speaks, one could be convinced that here is a man who would spoon the country the castor oil it needs." No one has been able to ignore that this time Mr. Cuomo looks as if he may throw his but into the ring. Though he is guaranteed re-election against Pierre Rinfret, the weak Republican challenger, to hisgovernor's scal next month, Mr Chomo has been campaigning with vitriolic attacks on the Bash.

WASHINGTON NOTEBOOK by Martin Fletcher

Republicans find president an electoral liability

resident Bush, his popularity plunging, has become a liability for Republican candidates in the November 6 congressional elections. This became embarrassingly evident on Tuesday when he went cam-paigning in New England.

In Verment, Congressman Peter Smith gave a flustered Mr Bush one of the most lukewarm introductions of his presidency, emphasising their disagreements on the budget and the civil rights bill which the president vetoed on Monday. In New Hampshire, Congressman Robert Smith did not appear with the president at all, sending his wife and pleading important votes in Washington. In Connecticut, Gary Franks, a black Republican challenger, 21tended a fund-raiser with Mr Bush but banned the media.

"If something's radioactive, your natural inclination is to stay away from it," commented one congressman's side. To cap it all. Ed Rollins, head of the National Republican Congressional Commillee, has sent candidates a memo urging them: "Do not hesitate to oppose ... the president". Citing the "precipitous"



drop in Mr Bush's ratings, the "lack of a clear Republican position on taxes and spending and the perception that the Republican party wants to cut Medicare and protect the rich, he warned candidates that failure to distance themselves from those factors "could fatally wound your campaign".

get mess and appalled by the \$500 billion (£258 billion) savings and loan scandal, dislikes congress even more.

To be fair to Mr Bush, the electorate, sick of the bud-For one man - Jack Gargan, a 218 had opponents who had

congressmen had to go. He founded THRO Inc (Throw the Hypocritical Rascals Out). Using \$45,000 of savings, he started placing full-page newspaper advertisements that began: "I'm outraged that ..." or "I'm livid when ..." and ended "... But I'm not going to give in to those clowns". He now gets 500 letters and donations a day. At least 40,000 Americans have pledged to vote against all incumbents. He has so far placed well over 150 advertisements from coast to coast and with each more than paying for itself they continue to multiply. It will all come to naught, alas. Money wins elections here, and incumbents have raised 30 times more than their

Common Cause, a group fighting for political reform, reports that only 23 of the 405 congressmen seeking re-election face challengers who have raised even half what they have. Of the rest, 78 had no opposition at all and retired insurance agent from raised less than a pattry \$25,000.

Tampa, Florida — enough is As Fred Wertheimer, Common enough. He recently decided that all 100 senators and 435 however strong the anti-incumbent sentiment, "House members are shielded by a wall of political money that makes them nearly invincible". The invincibility of incumbents may explain why an estimated 120 million Americans, two-thirds of the

electorate, will not bother to vote. The pop star Madonna is doing her best to counter this apathy. The recording industry, which is alarmed by recent prosecutions of pop groups on obscenity charges, has recruited her to mobilise the youth vote. She appears in a 60-second television commercial wearing red lingerie and combat boots. "Dr King, Malcolm X, freedom of speech is as good as sex," she raps as two male dancers spank her from behind "And if you don't vote, you're going to get a spankie." Her efforts are not universally applauded. She loosely covers her lingerie with the Stars and Stripes. The Vetcrans of Foreign Wars organis-

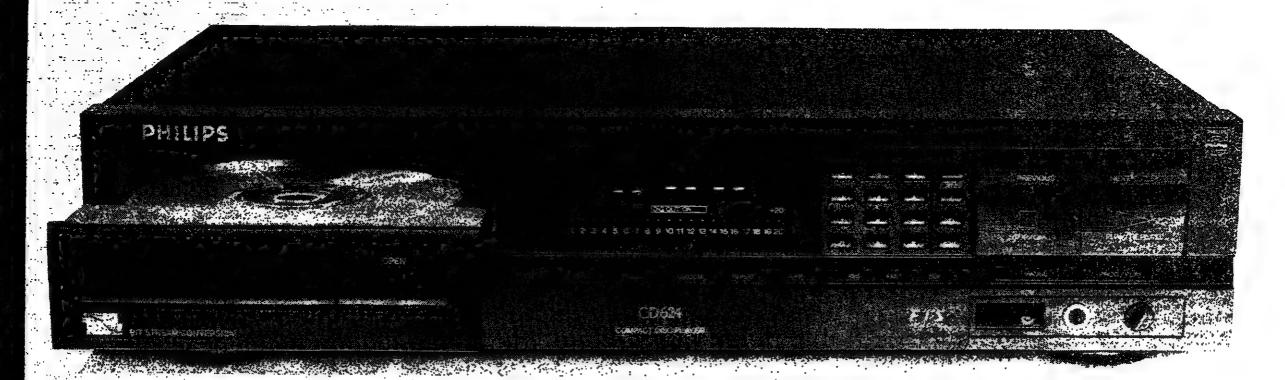
and another's baemorrhoids have been political issues, as have the youthful womanising of Clayton Williams, Republican candidate for Texas governor, and the long-defeated alcoholism of Anne Richards, his Demo-CTALLE TIVAL in Minnesota, a prim state that believed itself immune from gutter politics, Jon Grunseth, a Republican, was not on the heels: of Rudy Perpich; the incumbent Democratic governor, when two friends of his daughter suddenly surfaced with signed affidavits alleging that he had skinny-

dipped - and more - with them in his swimming pool in 1981-when they were 13 and 14. Mr Grunseth, who is 44, strennously denied the charge and vol untarily underwent a lie detector test. Accusing Mr Perpich of foul play, he challenged the governor to do the same, an invitation Mr. Perpich declined Innocent or not, Mr Grunseth's fortunes bave plummeted.

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Apathetic mood in Pakistan reflected in low poll turnout

of the most uncertain in its fake or borrowed cards. history ended on a flat note last night, with polling sta- them to supply us with tions in most areas reporting a another thumb print and we dismal turnout.

were deployed in sensitive obviously it is difficult. areas but no serious trouble Tahira Shaukat, presiding of-was reported as the polls ficer at a women's booth in closed last night. There were Rawalpindi, said. some blatant attempts at votforged identity cards.

half-hearted. Rival party workers passed each other without shouting abuse or ognised if they attempted to ince of Sind in case of ethnic slogans. Young men on bi-vote twice. Of 1,400 registered violence, and armed police cycles and motorcycles toured women voters in the area, a were stationed in every polling the city waving the flags of the mere 450 had cast their votes two main contenders - the as the booth prepared to close Pakistan People's Party of Benazir Bhutto, and the Islamic Democratic Alliance headed by Mian Nawaz Sharif. Party workers paid the money or goods. "But they owners of horse-drawn tongas - used as taxis - to display

Women, as usual, voted in separate booths. Many used a can even write." thumb print instead of a photograph on their national identity cards because of purdah curbs on having their

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PAKISTAN'S third general pictures taken. This made it average. Turnout has declined election in five years and one difficult to prevent the use of in the last three elections. At a "If we are suspicious, we ask

Tens of thousands of troops the print on the card, although In another part of the city

ing fraud, including the use of Zakia Azim, presiding officer at a women's booth, said In Rawalpindi voting was women wearing the burque were required to show their faces, so they could be rec-

will never give them these things. Most of the women are not educated and have no political awareness. Very few

Men's polling stations were reporting a turnout of between 40 and 50 per cent - about

polling station in the Moti bazaar in Rawalpindi the presiding officer, Liakat Ali, said he was surprised by a do our best to compare it with turnout of just over 50 per cent among the 1,500 registered voters in the area. He had discovered attempts by two men to use false identity cards. Both were turned away but no action was taken gainst them.

The national registered electorate is just under 50 million. The army stationed 35,000 troops in the sensitive provstation in the country. International observers, including a team from the United States Mrs Azim observed that and another from the South

There was little violence yesterday. One man was killed in the Punjab town of Okara in a dispute between rival supporters over the raising of flags. Another man was much busier, with most stabbed to death in the Punjab town of Guiranwala during a fight between rival supporters.



Fifty million people were expected to turn out in Pakistan's general election

Showing the way: Benazir Bhutto voting yesterday at Nandero, her home town.



Bhutto hopeful of leading new government

From Zahid Hussain in Larkana

majority in yesterday's par-liamentary polks, claimed that President Ishaq Khan would

The state of the turnout of the voters remained very low.

Strict security measures

government. Larkana district, Miss Bhutto, whose government was dismissed by the president on charges of corruption and misconduct on August 6, appeared confident that her party would take at least 120 out of 217 National Assembly seats at stake. "The administration can only deprive us of a majority by rigging the polls," she said.

polis," she said.

Miss Bhutto cited deeper toral battles were fought in the post-toral battles were fought in two constituencies of Nawahshah district where Chulam Mustaf Jatoi, the prime minister, and return to power," she said.
President Ishaq Khan, who

has the full backing of the powerful army, had asked the people in his televised speech on the eve of the polling not to vote for the Pakistan People's Party. Electoral victory for Miss Bhutto, who is facing trial by a special court on corruption charges, could further aggravate the situation. Miss Bhutto has made the president the main target of her attack during the election campaign and there seemed little possibility of reconciliation between them.

in the Larkana district after independent opponents had

BENAZIR Bhutto, highly political enthusiasm seen in optimistic about her Pakistan the last election in November People's Party achieving a 1988. In many other consut-

have no other choice but to were taken as the administracall her to form the new tion feared widespread viovernment. olence on polling day. More In an interview with The than 25,000 armed troops Times after casting her vote in were posted at key polling her home town Naudero in the stations in Sind province. A few days ago the army officials revealed an alleged conspiracy to subvert the polls. According to officials, 4,000 to 5,000 trained terrorists were active

in the province. The voting trend indicated that Miss Bhutto's party will continue her electoral domination in her own province of Sind by winning a

saying that she would not Ghulam Mustaf Jatoi, the accept Mr Ishaq Khan as pres- acting prime minister, and ident. "He will have to go if we Asif Ali Zardari, Miss Bhutto's husband, were contesting. Mr Jatoi was pitted against the People's Party candidate. Rehmatallah Behan Mr Behan had defeated Mr Jatoi in 1988 and defeat this time could end his political career. Mr Zardari, who was under arrest on charges of kidnapping and extertion, was contesting against Murtaza Jatol, elder son of the caretaker prime minister.
Miss Bhutto has accused the

administration of rigging polls in these two constituen have been told that in some of the polling booths bogus votes were stuffed in the ballot Although Miss Bhutto and were stuffed in the ballot her mother, Begum Nusrat boxes, she alleged. She said Bhutto, expected resounding the leaders of her party, victory in their constituencies scheduled to meet in Lahore on October 25, would have to discuss whether to accept the withdrawn from the contest, election results if the party was there was a marked lack of deprived of a majority.

Singh battles on to save coalition

From COOM KAPOOR IN DELHI

THE Indian parliament is to

government on Tuesday. parliament yesterday morn- a strength of 213 MPs. ing, But Rajiv Gandhi, leader of the largest political party, Congress (I), felt that Mr. Singh should resign gracefully, as he had no moral right to continue in office.

Congress (I) MPs believe that Mr Singh's insistence on summoning parliament is simply a ploy. He is accused of trying to get some support from the Muslims by proving to them that he had lost vital support for his his government by upholding his party's secular principles and denying his former allies, the BJP, to head a religious procession, which was inflaming feelings between Muslims and Hindus over the controversial Ram

Janmabhoomi temple issue. With no single party in a seems inevitable. But Janata Dal sources are confident that the government would get the parties who belong to the castes for whom Mr Singh's extra government jobs.

Spirati Chandrashekhar, Mr be convened next week to give Singh's main rival within the the prime minister a chance to party, is also keen to try and prove that he still has sufferm a government with a ficient support in the house splinter group of the Janata after the right-wing Bharatiya Dal which could possibly have Janata party (BJP) withdrew the support of the Congress (1) its support from the minority party. However, both scenar

overnment on Tuesday. ios appear unlikely.
President Venkatraman With withdrawal of BJP igreed to the request of V. P. support. Mr Singh's govern-Singh, the prime minister, to ment can count on only 198 members out of a total 514 ment's strength on the floor of Congress (I) and its allies have

Mr Singh became prime minister 11 months ago when he headed a Janata Dal goyernment which enjoyed the support of the four Communist parties and the pro-Hindu BJP. It was, however, an uneasy coalition united only by their common dislike of Congress (I) which had been in power since independence. Mr Singh's government was also suffering from frequent factional squabbles.

Janata Dal sources claim that in a mid-term poll, the party would be at an advantage as it can count on the support of a majority of the lower castes and Muslims.

Yesterday at least 10 people were killed and many injured as the bjp-sponsored call for a position to secure majority strike in protest at the arrest of support, a mid-term election its president, L. K. Advani, on Toesday turned violent in some areas, including Jaipur, in northwest India, where backing of MPs from other eight died in communa clashes. The army was called in to help the police in several government recently reserved. cities in the Uttar Pradesh and

About-face by Li in reform speech

From Catherine Sampson in Peking

tended, as would urban and rural private sectors, Mr Li nese government has publicly

the private sector was made subject to new restrictions.

The prime minister's speech

to businessmen attending the some leaders to reform. World Economic Forum, sponsored by a private Geneva-based organisation, was his most positive endorsement of reform since the mass

He gave few details of just combining a planned with a stalement.

LI PENG, the Chinese prime market economy. The session minister, known as a cautious was closed to foreign journalconservative in his approach ists, but businessmen who to economic reform, yesterday attended said that Mr Li made threw in his lot with the no reference to ideology reformers when he promised throughout his hour-long international businessmen at- speech. Nor did he mention tending a forum here that they Deng Xiaoping, China's now would see drastic economic reclusive paramount leader changes in the next ten years. who was the architect of the Price reform would be ex- country's reform programme,

Since the killings, the Chisaid. During the conservative maintained that reform and backlash, in which he took a the open-door policy would prominent part after the not end. Squabbles among the Tiananmen Square mass kill-leadership over the pace of ines on June 4 last year, talk of reform have, however, surprice reform was taboo and faced in the press, and diplomats and foreign businessmen have doubted the sincerity of the commitment of

Diplomats gave a warning that, rather than genuinely reflecting his position, Mr Li's speech might have been tailored to fit his andience of potential investors.

Businessmen - commento what the reforms would entail, that Mr Li, who was relaxed and emphasised again that and jovial seemed eager to China was working towards "dispel any impression of a

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German law on gene engineering exorcises spirit of nazism

From IAN MURRAY

THE German parliament yesterday passed the world's first law aimed at controlling generic en-gineering of human embryos. The law took five years of debate to draft and was passed only in the face of strong opposition from the Social Democrats (SPD) and the Greens, who felt there were still too many loopholes.

The law's intention is to prevent human genes being used for research purposes. An assurance was given some time ago by the main genetic laboratories, such as the Max Planck Institute and the German Society for the Advance-ment of Scientific Research, that no work would be carried out on

human embryos, but the govern-ment and the SPD felt legal controls would be better.

Scientists are keen to use genetic engineering techniques to try to care cancer and hereditary complaints, and all parties felt the need to set out statutory guidelines. The memory of "research" on human beings by nazi doctors made many feel it was important not to leave such a matter to a code of conduct. enforced solely by scientists.

The law expressly prohibits any planned production of embryos for research purposes. Along with this there is a ban on gene trans including any kind of cloning or the creation of hybrids by mixing genes from humans with those of animals or any other genetically

different tissues. Articifial fertilisation of eggs to produce test-tube babies is permitted, but only enough egg cells may be taken at any one time to carry out one treatmentexcept when there are health problems facing a woman, which might make it impossible for her to produce eggs later. The law also rules out any method of predetermining the sex of a child, save in cases of serious hereditary

The question of surrogate motherhood is regarded as too complicated to be covered by the etic engineering law alone. Those who agree to carry a child produced by the test-tube method from eggs and sperm from the parents are in a different category

own artificially fertilised by the father. The adoption law will be extended to deal with these cases. Breaking the new law is exclus-

ively a criminal offence, but the SPD and the Greens are hoping it will be extended to cover civil izw questions, such as responsibility for hereditary descent. The Social Democrats are also pressing for a change in the constitution to make sure that the new law is interpreted identically throughout Germany to avoid the risk of a

"fertilisation tourism industry". [In Britain, research involving human embryos is covered by the Human Fertilisation and Em-bryology bill, which passed its final vote in the House of Lords on

to those who have a child of their October 18. It now awaits royal embryo as part of medical treatassent, expected within the next ment, but does leave open the week (Nigel Hawkes writes).

Once enacted, the bill will set up a human fertilisation and embryology authority, responsible for issuing licences for embryo research. Unlike in Germany, it will permit the production of embryos for research, under licence, though no embryo will be allowed to develop for more than 14 days after fertilisation.

The creation of hybrid species, buman cloning and the payment of donors of sperm and eggs will be forbidden. Penalties for flouting the regulations would be fines, or up to two years imprisonment. The bill does not allow the introduction of genes into an

possibility of permitting such procedures when they are part of a research programme. In general, it is a more permissive piece of legislation than the German law.] • Longer hour. For the benefit of its new communist members from east Germany, the Bundestag has officially increased the length of the hour to 66 minutes.

The extension was agreed by the German parliament's council of elders, meeting yesterday to decide how to accommodate the 24 members nominated by the Party of Democratic Socialists (PDS), as the communists are now known. Under German parliamentary practice, each group represented

of a debate for a length of time proportionate to its size. Before unification, the three government coalition parties were allocated 34 minutes an hour, the opposition Social Democrats could speak for 20 minutes, and the Greens for just seven minutes. This arrangement had already extended the hour to 61 minutes.

As parliamentary procedure stands, the PDS should not be allowed to speak. It does not have enough MPs to form a proper group, which must include at least 5 per cent of the total membership of the house. It has, nevertheless, been agreed that at least until the next election they will be allowed to speak for five minutes an hour.

Lack of interest in bureaucratic jobs saps UK's influence in EC

BRITISH civil servants are rapidly being excluded from any say in the running of the European Community in spite of a vigorous government recruitment drive.

In two weeks' time the deadline will pass for this year's main competition for jobs in the European Commission. Of the 500 applicants, only eight are British. The proportion is far worse than in recent years and threatens to leave Britain almost unrepresented in the lower grades of EC

Britain has fewer commission jobs per head of population than any other community member. Only 11 per cent of posts are now held by British nationals, well short of Britain's 15 per cent quota. What worries Whitehall and British officials in Brussels is that the share is falling in 1988 only 6.5 per cent of all those applying were British.

The British staff problem is

rapidly becoming acute," said

Finding of

body fuels

a French

scandal

From PHILIP JACOBSON

A LURID scandal involving the

abduction of a homosexual clergy-

man, who had been at the centre of

a highly sensitive investigation by

undercover police in Paris, took a

new turn yesterday with the discovery of a body in dense

woods outside the capital. Official

sources indicated that it was

almost certainly Pastor Joseph

Douce, who has not been seen

since unknown men dragged him

from his home more than three

It eme-ged that Pastor Douce, a

Protestant who ran the "Centre of

Christ the Liberator for Sexual

Minorities", had been watched by

the Renseignements Généraux, an

intelligence agency under the in-

terior ministry.

Leaks to the French press

suggested that the centre was a

cover for an extensive paedophile

network, allegedly involving

prominent figures in politics and the media. At the time he dis-

appeared, Pastor Douce's dossier

was in the hands of an intelligence

specialist, Inspector Jean-Marie

Dufourg, who had spent many

hours following him, but was in a

bar in Pigalle when the abduction

The inspector's role in l'affaire

Doucé is now under investigation

by the police. This did not stop

him giving the newspaper Le

Figuro his potentially explosive version of events. He had, he said,

been working for a small intelli-gence unit, the Groupe des

Enquêtes Réservées, that handled

politically sensitive cases. "First I

was requested to recruit an adoles-

cent of about 18 who could then be

introduced to various personal-

ities." He then had to organise a

network of male and female

prostitutes, after which he was

affairs of a sexual nature might not

turn out to be connected with each

other," he told the newspaper,

apparently straight-faced. Ques-tioned by police he denied any involvement in the abduction of

the clergyman he had kept under

"I began to ask myself if these

assigned to the Douce case.

mouths ago.

occurred.

keen to come, as there is so much of interest and importance going on. Perhaps potential candidates feel they wouldn't be welcome here. But that is quite wrong." Britain has consistently complained that Brussels recruitment practices discriminate against British applicants. The main intake is limited to lawyers and economists, qualifications held by most civil scryants in all member states except Britain. In the last law competition two years ago only 44 Britons applied out of 830, and only one was engaged out of the 104 successful candidates, Even he was not British but a Portuguese holding a British

Bruce Millian, one of the two

British commissioners. "It's hard to see why young people are not

Earlier this year Francis Maude, then a minister at the Foreign Office, had talks with Antonio Cardosa e Cunha, the commissioner for personnel policy, on ways to boost British applications. The government introduced a "European fast-stream" into the civil service, promising to give applicants wide experience of European affairs in Whitehall in the expectation that they would theu seek a career in Brussela. The commission promised to hold more general entry examinations to give a wider range of British graduates a chance to apply. So far Brussels has done little to im-

plement this. Britain is quite well represented in senior grades, but is concerned gradually have a smaller and smaller say in the running of the commission, with a consequent lack of understanding of how EC proposals would be viewed in Britain. There is also concern that because Britain is seen as generally. negative towards the community, other countries will be unwilling to make any effort to recruit more British employees.

Apart from Britain, only Italy is below its quota. Germany is roughly in balance, France has more than its share and Belgium is greatly over-represented. Despite efforts to cut back on Belgium's intake, universities in Belgium run special courses tailored to commission requirements.

Britain is also trying to encourage block recruitment to allow candidates to plan their careers. At present successful candidates are put on a list and invited to take up jobs as they come up, which keeps some hanging on for up to a year. This is less of a problem in many member states, but a barrier in Britain, where successful candidates have to choose whether to join the domestic civil service instead. .

Commission officials say that to catch up Britain must capture at least 20 per cent of the new jobs for the next two or three years. At the present level of applications, that is impossible. Candidates have only until November 9 toapply for the coming competition.



Safely gathered in: a woman worker dancing beside crates of harvested carrots on a co-operative farm at Brandys-nad-Laben, near Prague, as she celebrates the end of this year's agricultural season in Czechoslovakia

Gorbachev railroads through bill to gain sweeping powers over republics

PRESIDENT Gorbachev yesterday imposed drastic curbs on the parliament and local counties throughout the powers of Soviet republics and cillors, it effectively prevents them almost modest in their claims.

parades in cities throughout the consumer goods. The supply situation in the city, which is closed to foreigners, is said to be city councils when he railroaded

through parliament a bill giving him the right to dismiss rebellious officials and workers. The bill was passed late in the day after it had failed to gain full parliamentary approval on a technicality. The issue was sent to the Constitutional Review Committee for arbitration, and it decided that the legistation had been approved.

In normal circumstances, for an order to be approved, a bill must receive more than half the votes of both chambers of the Soviet partiament (the Chamber of Nationalities and the Chamber of the Union) even when the chambers are, as yesterday, in joint session. In the morning, the Chamber of the Nationalities gave the bill overwhelming support. Deputies belonging to the Chamber of the Union rejected it by four votes but that chamber could barely raise a quorum. A better turn-out would have given approval at the first

milempa. The bill - "Ensuring the effectiveness of laws and other acts of Soviet legislation" - gives the president the right to replace state employees, from enterprise directors down to the most menial worker, if they implement republic laws that conflict with central legislation. It also limits the powers of local councils to implement policies that conflict with those of the centre.

While apparently not applying carried on placards through Red to elected representatives, such as Square in Moscow and in the

from pursuing policies at variance

with those laid down by Moscow. The measures were described as temporary, until the approval of a new union treaty to govern relations between the centre and the republics, but are regarded by deputies from the less tractable republics as tantamount to blackmail.

Yesterday's debate, although short, was heated. Some deputies argued that centralising measures of this nature were essential if the prevailing economic chaos were to be halted. Others argued that the proposed powers would only exacerbate an already tense situation in many republics. The view was also expressed that the bill placed the supposed rights of the union above the human rights of the individual. One deputy objected that no right of appeal was envisaged for officials and workers dismissed as a result of the proposed law. If their only recourse was to appeal to the president through the courts, recompense for unjust dismissal

could take years. The seriousness of the current political and economic situation in the country was only underlined yesterday with the publication of the official Communist party slogans setting the tone for the November 7 annuversary of the Bolshevik revolution. The slogans, which are traditionally

"Long live the 73rd anniversry

of the great October socialist

revolution" reads the first slogan; followed by "Comrades, let us remain true to the ideals of October, and stand up for the name and cause of Lenin". In place of the rousing appeals to join with the world proletariat and strive for ever greater successes are cails for "conscientious and organised work" to bring in the market economy and "civil consensus" as the "only road to the future". Young people, many despairing of a future in their country and greatly impressed with foreign goods and values, are urged to "bear their Soviet citizenship with honour".

Although the military parade in Red Square is expected to proceed as usual, several cities, including the Azerbaijani capital, Baku, have already announced that they will not be holding parades because of the tense political situation. In the Estonian capital, Tallinn, and the Latvian capital, Riga, the military parade has been relegated to the outskirts, while elsewhere there are likely to be both official and alternativ e parades as happened in Moscow last vear.

• Tanks for butter: Leaders of the Urals city of Sverdlovsk, a centre of the Soviet armaments industry, have reportedly been told by President Gorbachev that they may sell some of their products abroad in order to buy food and extremely difficult, with rationing of many basic goods. Under the headline "Tanks for cigarettes?", the newspaper Komsomolskava Pravda said that the Sverdlovsk officials were given the assurance at a meeting with the president last

Sales of all military hardware have been heavily circumscribed hitherto, and a Soviet co-operative was severely criticised earlier this year for selling tanks abroad as scrap metal, even though it had a licence from the government. The concession to Sverdlovsk is likely to have been agreed by Mr Gorbachev in an attempt to reduce discontent in the city and win votes for his economic reform programme.

Sverdlovsk is the political fiefdom of Boris Yeltsin, the Russian Federation's president, and its council is dominated by radical reformers who could have been expected to mobilise opposition to Mr Gorbachev's proposals both in the national and republic parliaments, as well as in Sverdlovsk. • Offer to EC: The prime minister of Luxembourg, Jacques Santer, said yesterday that Moscow had offered a list of proposals for extensive co-operation with the European Community which would be considered at the Rome summit this weekend.

He would not confirm reports that the EC had cooled to the idea of large-scale assistance to the Soviet Union.

frames can be produced privately. The result: confusion on building

sites when the wrong-sized glass

Many are feeling the pinch of

the liberated market. Prices are

soaring in big cities. In the Warsaw district of Zoliborz, a

arrives, or does not arrive at all.

Warsaw **Pact** meeting postponed

Badapest - A Warsaw Pact summit scheduled to take place here next week to decide the fate of the Soviet bloc military alliance has been postponed, the Hungarian foreign ministry announced yes-terday (Ernest Beck writes).

The summit is scheduled to discuss the possible dissolution of the pact or its transformation into purely political organisation.

Janos Herman, the foreign ministry spokesman, said the delay was requested by the Soviet Union and was agreed by all six members of the pact. It seemed likely that the meeting will take place after the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe summit next month in Paris, when a conventional arms reduction treaty is expected to be signed. The Paris summit will also examine proposals for a new European security system, which will largely determine the future roles of both the Warsaw Pact and Nato.

The spokesman said that though no concrete proposals for political union between pact members were to be tabled, "there does exist the framework of a future co-operation agreement".

Moscow would like to see its former allies linked in some kind of political and economic union. But there is disagreement among pact members about how to proceed and at what speed, Hungary announced in June that it intends to leave the pact by the end of 1991, the date when Soviet troops are to complete their withdrawai from the country. On Tuesday, President Havel of Czechoslovakia suid he would like to see the pact military command dissolved within six months.

Despite the postponement, Hungary said that a meeting of the pact's disarmament committee. which is preparing the alliance's tinal negotiating position for the conventional arms treaty, will go ahead in Prague this weekend.

Congress delay

Johannesburg - The African National Congress announced that its national congress, scheduled for December for the first time in South Africa since the organisation was banned in 1960, has been postponed until next June, The ANC blamed delays in negotiations with the government for the return of as many as 20,000 exiles and the release of all political prisoners.

Spy chief sacked

Rome - Giulio Andreotti, the Italian prime minister, has sacked the country's chief of military intelligence. Signor Andreotti fired Admiral Fulvio Martini after the recent discovery of letters written by Aldo Moro, the assassinated Christian Democrat leader, in a flat supposedly searched ten years ago by agents of six state security organisations.

Disaster avoided

Basle - Some 200 firemen saved the Basle region from ecological catastrophe after two separate chemical spills here, police said. In the first incident, 520 gallons of chlorosulphonic acid spilled from a vat at a chemical factory. Later, 180 gallons of polyacrylic acid spilled from a German Railways tank wagon during shunting at Basle station. (AFP)

Kidnap report Lima - The British embassy has

confirmed that it has had reports that two Britons missing since June were kidnapped in Peru's upper Huallaga valley. Timothy Andrews and Michael Entwistle. both ornithologists aged 29, were on a backpacking tour when they disappeared near Tingo Maria, a stronghold of Maoist Shining Path terrorists.

Frigate review

Wellington - Mike Moore, New Zealand's prime minister, has announced that the government will review its multimillion-dollar contract to buy Australian-built frigates. His statement, just ahead of a general election, is likely to sour relations with Australia, which declined to comment before the poll (AFP)

Editor for trial

Jakarta - The editor of the Monttor, a tabloid newspaper, will stand trial for printing a popularity poll rating the Prophet Muhammad in eleventh place. The government earlier closed the paper after pressure from Muslim leaders and clashes between troops and young Muslims. (AFP)

Post-communist struggle to end housing misery is still a state monopoly, window

convinced that privatisation is the

only way out. He is far ahead of

the rest of Eastern Europe in

EWA, an unhappy Polish country girl, committed suicide in 1985, though her priest agreed to camouflage the cause of death and give her a decent burial. She was a victim of the housing conundrum that has crippled lives throughout Eastern Europe; she had come to Warsaw to look for a job, but without a flat she could not be given work, and without work she could not be assigned housing.

The girl answered a newspaper advertisement and, following the route of thousands of desperate job-seekers, became the misuress of an elderly man who offered a room in a wooden-boarded Warsaw tenement. He was umpleasant; she gassed herself in the kitchen.

The rules of housing registration are being eased in Polish cities, as part of the market revolution. But the problems that underpinned the strict, often cruel, laws contime to mag at the economies of Eastern Europe, sapping popular trust in the post-communist governors. The great cities hit by the Germans - Lemngrad, Kiev, Warsaw - are particularly vulinclined to act as scapegoal, this sleazy business could be with us for some time.

The reconstruction work ment, Alexander Paszynski, the after the war was one of the few for some time. The second secon



remarkable achievements of the centrally planned economy. But not even that mammoth concentration of resources could plug the hole left by such heavy bombardment. And then soon enough came the problems of modernisation and industrial growth: hundreds of thousands of Ewas drifting from the country to the cities (only the repressive city regulations kept them out), a baby boom, and fierce demand for hospitals, schools, roads. The system broke down.

Poland, for example, is now saddled with a housing waiting list of 1.2 million. In Warsaw, Lodz or Cracow the waiting time for a state-subsidised apartment can be anything between 60 and 80 years. Even after a year in governIn the third extract from his book, The Hard Road to the Market, Roger Boyes reports on the tensions as Poland seeks to use privatisation as the way to cut a waiting list of 1.2 million for accommodation

privatising the housing and construction industries. The World Bank set out some guidelines for the Polish housing market: cut state subsidies, sell council flats, make repts realistic. commission local councils to scout out available building land. reduce energy consumption, and privatise, privatise, privatise. Mr Paszynski has lifted the restriction on owning more than one apartment or one building plot clearing the way for developers in the Western mode - and has decisively shifted the pattern of

housing away from rentals to private ownership. Poles were offered a chance to

Now in Poland, as in Hungary, some 75 per cent of people own their apartments. There are about 330,000 houses under private con-

But the biggest job is increasing production. Only some 120,000 new apartments a year are completed by the state builders — less

struction in Poland.

than half the 1978 figure - and even if demand is choked by rising prices this can make only the merest dent on the waiting list. During the past year, more than 20,000 new private building companies have been set up, most of them making materials. The

larger state-owned companies are being broken into smaller units as a first step to privatisation. Most taxes on building materials have been lifted to encourage competi-

large flat recently went for £300,000: Kensington prices. Polish families building their own houses have to stagger construction - the bathroom one year, kitchen the next. Because private capital reserves are trickling away, dreams have to be postponed. It takes on average

seven years to build a house privately in Poland. Poles have shown that they can accept daily price rises, a degree of inflation, in return for not queuing - but can they accept expensive housing? Will this be the breaking point for the government's privatisation policies?

Next: cars

The Hard Road to the Market is published by Secker and Warburg on October 29

close observation. He was unexpectedly given bail on a charge of having misused his pistol. Soon afterwards, a government response to the affair was delivered in the National Assembly by Pierre Joxe, the interior minister. The police have never

been given orders in breach of the law or of their honour," he assured deputies. Pastor Douce's body has apparently now turned up, although the cause of death is still unknown. After 10 years in his line of work, Inspector Dufourg undoubtedly knows a good deal that the police authorities and the government would much prefer to keep under wraps. Since he is not

The Times Profile: David Mellor

Knowing his arts and Elgar

The guardians of Britain's cultural life can be sure of a sympathetic hearing from the former political roustabout turned mellow, music-loving minister

occupants fade quietly away having enjoyed a few years of free opera tickets. Everybody they meet at the opera complains that the government is either stingy or philistine, usually both. The arts lobby, rivalling the law and medicine in identifying its own good with the public weal, will never believe the minister's denial. The most popular arts ministers are those who, once a year, keep the subsidies in line with the rate of inflation, and for the other 11 months, leave the arts

Richard Luce. Mr Mellor's predecessor, was admired for his dogged reticence in doing just this. Never seen as a high flier, he retired gracefully from the scene having protected his voracious clients from inflation — at least overall. David Mellor, the new minister for the arts, is a different political animal. He is ambition personified, a typically Thatcherite hands-on politician. He admits that an arms-length job has its limitations, none so much as the arts, where a minister is trapped between the Treasury and the formal arts policy quango, the Arts Council, with its own wellknown chairman and secretary general. Peter Palumbo and Anthony Everitt respectively. "The job is to win resources and let others spend them for you. There is a frustration attached to that."

he says. Mr Mellor's appointment was greeted with ambivalence by the subsidised arts lobby. The arts are not used to being landed with a gogetting young minister. Had he been brought in to slap their wrists and rein in their spending? Or was he a good thing a man who wanted to make his mark by winning more money for an area of government activity to which he is personally committed?

Mr Mellor has now just finished his first ever public-spending round amid reports that the Treasury chief secretary, Norman Lamont, who was exceptionally generous to Mr Luce last year, has driven a much tougher bargain. With the next handout doubtless coming immediately before an election, plus the possibility of a few rescue packages in the interim. Mr Lamont has felt Mr Mellor can take the heat for the time being. The arts will turn up that heat for

Sure. How Mr Mellor reacts will be an intriguing guide to the future of one of Mrs Thatcher's more Mellor does at least listen. Despite his often abrasive manner, he is

inister for the arts is a thankless job. Most Broadcasting Bill, which starts its last two days' debate in the House of Commons today, has been an instance of this. At the beginning, the broadcasters were prepared to hate Mr Mellor much as they hated the initial draft. Seven hundred amendments later. Mr Mellor's political courage and new-found emollience have made him oddly endearing. The broad-casting lobby can live with the bill, and was able to work with the man. He listens as much as he talks, although he talks a lot. A surprising fan of Mr Mellor's

is Simon Albury, director of the Campaign for Quality Television; "I formed a great admiration and affection for him. Once he knows that you're not going to mess around and you're on top of the subject, he's genuinely receptive. He has this great appetite for debate and discussion and is prepared to be swayed by rational argument." Almost all the changes for which the Campaign fought were eventually conceded. So grateful were they that they held a dinner in the minister's honour

in July.

Mr Mellor did not like the first draft of the Broadcasting Bill either, but because it had been drawn up by a predecessor at the Home Office at the instigation of the prime minister, he had to tread carefully. He decided that he should be seen to be conceding to the Campaign for Quality Tele-vision rather than the ITV companies, which the prime minister hates. One broadcaster claims he "outwitted Downing Street". A long-time fellow minister at the Home Office, agrees that "he took on Number Ten head on. More craven creatures would not have done so." Robin Corbett, Mr Mellor's shadow, says that "he's held his breath on some occasions and thought, 'am I going to get away with this?" "Get away with it he has.

Mr Mellor's political reckless-

ness derives in part from his knowledge that his comparative political wetness makes elevation into the cabinet unlikely. At the last reshuffle, he was cruelly overtaken by the dogged Peter Lilley. But Mr Mellor is of the blistly agreement and the second seco Nigel Lawson school, believing there is more to life than politics. Everyone assumes that when you're in politics you'll just do what you're told, that it's an extension of school. It isn't, Most of us could actually live very comfortable lives without being ministers." Now 41, he is already in his tenth year as a minister: " have an intense desire to prove that there's a life after politics and prepared to change his mind if the I want to get there while I'm still



Mellor in his office yesterday: 'I have an intense desire to prove there is a life after politics'

young enough to have some of it." David Mellor was born in Swanage, Dorset, the son of a schoolmaster. He lost no time in winning his political spurs. At 15. while still at grammar school, he was elected vice-chairman of the Dorset Young Conservatives. At Christ's College, Cambridge, where he read law, he became chairman of the university Conservative association (and worked as a deckchair attendant in Swanage during his vacations). When he came down and went to the Bar, he was vice-chairman of the Chelsea Tories and he soon became a personal assistant to Jeffrey Archer, then still an MP. At this time he met his wife. Judith Hall, a feisty lady firm enough to keep his bumptiousness

After failing to win West Bromwich East in 1974. Mr Mellor snatched Putney in 1979, while still under 30. from a former Labour arts minister. Hugh Jenkins, Gentrification has since made the seat relatively safe. Within two years, he was in government, at the department of energy and then at the Foreign Office, where he was dubbed "Mellor the Mouth" by The Sun after an angry outburst at conditions in the Gaza Strip. The Foreign Office, however, was little Douglas Hurd and William Waldegrave have all discovered. the embarrassment of ministers in Israel is a longstanding Foreign Office blood-sport. "We were not entirely unhappy." says a

A minister's life and reputation are determined not so much by MPs or the public but by the relationship he strikes up with officials. Popular at the Foreign Office for his enthusiasm for work and talent for publicity. Mr Mellor found a less receptive audience at the Home Office. His abrasiveness told on many officials. He gave some civil servants dressingsdown from which they returned pale-faced with anger. Nor did they like his often craven attitude to the media: not so much deliberately rude as short on normal Whitehall housetraining. He is vain to the point of ringing up newspapers to complain that he is not a "junior" minister, but a

Like many politicians, Mr Bernard Levin's column will Mellor can display a manie desire apprar tomorrow.

to be the centre of attention, and is quite prepared to make a fool of himself in order to win publicity. When minister for health, he was happy to let The Times take a photograph of him lying on his office carpet in shirt, tie and glasses, with his legs in the air, looking like a dying dog. He enjoys causing a stir, but unlike, say, Edwina Currie, he calculates carefully first. "I've always known when something I was doing was going to be a bit controversial. It's never come as a surprise to me." He laughs uproariously, "Some people light the blue touchpaper without realising quite the explo-

sive charge."
He did so once, and it has sobered him up enormously. Two years ago, as minister of state for health, winding up the "teeth and specs" charges debate, he rounded so savagely on his own back-benchers, notably the mildest-ofmannered Jerry Hayes, that the executive of the 1922 Committee felt moved to complain to the prime minister.

'If there were more people like him in the arts, we would be a lot better off ?

Mr Mellor now admits: "I'm really mortified by it. I just read it wrong. I'm capable of learning my lessons; this was a further step up the learning curve." According to a colleague, it was "his parmentary Rubicon".

Today, two years on, a political antagonist. Labour's Robin Corbett has noticed the change: "He was a sharp-tongued street fighter before, but it was all smooth, purring noises throughout the bill. He's stopped being a hooligan." David Mellor is a doer, not a thinker. Pressed on the principles he believes in, he can come up with no more than, "in a democracy good people have to get involved in politics. It should not

just be left to the chancers and

the people who like the sound of their own voices. I believe in a free society and that requires quite sophisticated responses from government." Told that these views could have come from a politician on either side of the House, he adds, "I do believe that the dynamic in society is created by unleashing the capability of its people but that on top of that you put a framework of government

that allows you to cream off resources for public benefit."

If those in the arts are worried that Mr Mellor wants to do too much, they can at least reassure themselves that he is a lover of the cast. The head included and if all the head included and included an arts. He has already modified his predecessor's plans for devolution of arts funding, by making the new regional arts boards smaller and protecting some of the arts gran-dees from the horror of having to rely on local political support.
"I've said i'll listen to what people have to say and if they come up with a good argument I'll change

my mind."

Mr Mellor's handicap is, like that of his predecessors, Lord St-John Fawsley and Lord Gowrie, his commitment to the arts is deeply personal but, as a result, partial. His passion for classical music has spawned a massive collection of records and Cbs, the sound of which crashes through he gives a lecture to the Putney Musical Society. This year's, in a fortnight's time, is on Elgar. His interests are middle-brow, stopping at Stravinsky and Bartok -"I'm a late romantic wallower" = but genuine. On taking the arts ministry, he had to give up being vice-chairman of the trust-

of the London Philharmonic Orchestra. According to John Willan, its managing director, "If there were more people like him in the arts, we'd be a lot better

To be a civilised man may count for a lot in the arts world. Jeremy Isaacs, now running the Royal Opera House, describes him as "perhaps a Roman rather than a Greek, but certainly not a barbarian." Yet the arts world is a hard taskmaster. It does not want art from a politician, only money. Mr Mellor has an uneasy feeling that his reputation will stand or fall on money. His only consolation is that, in this at least, he is not alone,

Make councils responsible

The arts need more than central government funding and sponsorship: Denis Forman believes support can best be provided by local authorities

he present crisis in the performing arts and in the world of art galleries and museums is as yet unrecognised by the public, and although known to the government, it has shown no signs of facing up to it. The problem is simple. The cost of the arts is increasing at a rate higher than that of the resources availthan that of the resources avail-

There are three main sources of revenue for the arts. First, central government. The Treasury will never increase an allocation to a spending department except by the exercise of a political imperative. No matter how persuasive the arts minister may be - and our present minister is exceptionally persuasive - if he is a lone voice

he will get no better treatment than Cliver Twist.

Even with a change of government or a change of prime minister, we are not going to see any sudden transformation. We est be realistic: even with amorts friendly government, proper sup-port for the status quo is the best we can hope for, and even that will require a huge capital sum and an increase in expenditure above the rate of inflation.

The second source of finals for the arts is the private sector. A great advance has been made in recent years in persuading industry and commerce to spend money on spoasorship. But the sponsor is a fickle paymaster, he will not commit for any length of time ahead, and when profits fall, as they are doing almost universally this year, prestige advertis-ing, i.e. sponsorship, is one of the first items to be cut.

Box-office is the oldest, most enduring and most reliable source of revenue, but even for the subsidised aris the box office can be a dangerous friend. If a repertory company runs into hard times, the pantomime season will be extended at the expense of Chekhov and Shaw. Box-office has other limitations: If it is pushed too far, it empties the house or distorts the purpose of subsidy by making attendance the prerogative of the rich.

If none of the present sources of ...

funds is going to save the day for the arts, where else can we look for help? I believe that in the long run there is one source whose contribution is invaluable and largely overlooked, and which has great potential for the future. The Arts Council this year is spending £175 million on the arts. Local authorities collectively are spending something between £175 million and nearly £300 million. I can see no logic in having two overlapping systems pumping oxygen imo the arts across the nation, one with a single engine sited in Westminster, the other with a number of regional pumps. Surely there is a need for some rationale as between the Arts Council, cries, boroughs and counties? To those of us who have lived and worked outside London, the

Luce plan appeared to be a great leap forward. It sought to develve the central grant-giving power of the Arts Council to regional councils upon which would six representatives of arts in the region and local authorities (although the local authorities were to be in the minority and the strings were still to be held by London). It is easy to be cynical about the concept of our local authorities fathering the arts in their own regions and in their own areas, but in my dealings with them over the arts - and in particular with three successive town clerks of Manchester - I have found them to be more positive, more businesslike and more effective than their counterparts in London, where the Arts Council is becoming the creature of the Office of Arts and Libraries and the OAL is under the thumb of the Treasury. We can look only to local authorities for the money

An enlightened government could give local authorities statutory responsibility for the arts, along with health, housing and the like. This is a short step to take and the Labour party is already committed to it. It would transform the situation at a stroke, for it would make arts expenditure in councils over the country eligible for rate support grant it would legitimise expenditure which some councillors now feel to be outside the true remit of local government, and when the Treasury raises its banshee voice and sury raises its bansace voice and points to the increase in the local government budget, the minister for the arts could truthfully reply that a pound spent on the arts through local government must go at least twice as far as a pound spend directly from London, for the rate support grant currently the rate support grant currently pays for 46p in every pound spent by local authorities. There is nothing outlandish or even novel nothing outlandish or even novel in the idea of the prime responsibility for arts funding being assumed by municipalities and regions. In France, 55 per cent of arts money is found in this way, in Germany 90 per cent.

Once statutory status for the arts in local government is schieved, and once the equilibrium is respond after the deventu-

rium is restored after the deventating effect of the poll tax, in addition to supporting the arts in its own parish, each authority would make a contribution to the regional boards outlined in the Luce plan. The arts take little account of civic boundaries: the Halle plays in Nottingham, Leeds, Harrogate and Newcastle; the Crucible in Sheffield serves a clientele spread over a dozen local authorities. We have seen what Glasgow and Birmingham can do: why should this spirit not spread to other authorities and other

A t the heart of this sketch for the finare is the idea than the locally elected repre-sentatives of the people should gradually take over from ministers the responsibility for cherishing and developing the arts across the nation. In the light of this, the minister's recent decision himself to appoint the chairmen of the perverse, cutting as it does across the whole principle of devolution and setting the scene for a White-hall controlled ministry of the arts. No matter how eminent and meritorious the minister's chairman may be, he cannot be accountable both to the arts in his region and to the minister in the metropolis. The danger is that he will be seen not as the friend and champion of the regional arts community, but as a copper's

This does mean, of course, that central Arts Council presence and funding would fall away over the years, and that its function would be transformed from that of paymaster and central executive to that of monitor, critic and friend; a role not altogether unlike that of Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Schools.

Sir Denis Forman is deputy chairman of the Royal Opera House and deputy chairman of Granada Group. This is an abridged version of his Mond Lecture delivered at Manchester University last night:

...and moreover

CLEMENT FREUD

f someone tried to ram explained that their detectives an unyieldingly, obtrusive howdah up your backside and keep it in situ for an hour and a half, you would have every right to be angry. The friends with whom I spent the weekend in a village on the Dutch/ German border rented me a bicycle and told me we were going on a 20km Saturday afternoon spin. As they were my hosts, and I have ever tried to be a good guest. I heard myself say: "That is really kind

I swung my right leg over the crossbar, let the saddle engage painfully in my scat and did a preliminary circuit of their forecourt, in the course of which I noticed that the bike had no brakes. "Pity, after all the trouble you have taken." I said. "You go on and I'll stay and prepare the mussels for dinner." Apparently my bike had a back-pedal braking device that I

tached to the handlebar, "Really thoughtful." I said to my hosts. To relate that I jumped to the stirrups would be an overstatement, but I got on the velocipede and I pedalled, my host pedalled and his wife pedalled also; were Ghent not in Belgium, there could have been an

opportunity for a witty remark.

would find easier, less distract-

ing than grips and levers at-

I had, as a boy, a bike called James; it was not I who thought of the name, it was painted on the frame. Mine was a James Bicycle, made by a company that went to the wall long before it was fashionable for companies to go bankrupt. In those green and salad days of my youth there was more time to do things than is available today and I spent many hours polishing the spokes and making

James shine generally. When I was 14 I rode my bike from London to Walberswick where my parents had a house. as I do now. The distance was 98 miles (thanks to by-passes it is currently 120, rising) and when I reached the Suffolk coast after an 11-hour journey I felt differently about James, used it less and less, and some time after that it was stolen. I went to the police station in Southwold. told them of the theft and

would have no difficulty finding it for the top of one of the spokes on the rear wheel, one quite close to the valve, was terminally rust-affected. The police laughed. I began to feel differently about the police. A year ago my younger daughter gave me a bike that fits

into the boot of a car. I fitted it into mine. One day, in a disastrous northern-hinterlandof-Oxford-Street traffic jam. I left the Rover Stirling at the side of the road, opened the boot, assembled the bike and rode off to my appointment, chording as I went, though I did notice that other drivers treated me with the sort of consideration I accord cyclists when I am behind the wheel; but I made my meeting on time. When it was over. I went downstairs to find the bike stolen (nothing changes) and when I reached my car it had been clamped. (Some things do change, not necessarily for the better.)

While wishing that designers undertake another, altogether more sympathetic assessment of the contours of a saddle, cycling is wonderful, and cycling in Holland is quite brilliant, for Holland is flat: look where you will, you can site a landing strip or a cricket pitch without recourse to excavators. Take with you a couple of telephone directories, stand on them and you have a view.

more like A View. And in Holland, unlike in central London, the cyclist is king. People there drive past cyclists the way we drive past horses; and when one chap on a bike meets another, which is a very frequent occurrence, they say good day, in Dutch, The more basic your bike the heartier is the "good day" (in Dutch) that you get.

"I really enjoyed that trip," I said to my host - spontaneously, nothing to do with trying to be a good guest - and I asked him if it was safe to own a bicycle in the Netherlands.

Well, he said, there were instances of cycle theft, but on the whole when bikes have no gears and only a back-pedal brake, one doesn't have too

Quite, but what about Kuwait?

dward Heath spent much of his time with Saddam Hussein not discussing hostages but answering questions on the likely impact of Britain's entry into the ERM, according to the former prime minister's staff.

"It was the most widely discussed topic." says Robert Vaudrey, Heath's personal assistant, who became a familiar sight on television news during the mission. "The Iraqis' knowledge of the British political situation was incredible. They were commenting on British newspaper articles and internal policy debates in the the Conservative party. Saddam's people quizzed us in particular on pieces by Norman Stone in The Sunday Times."

Part of the reason lies in the fact that many of Saddam's senior aides were educated in Britain, "His chief negotiator, with whomwe spent a lot of time, spoke perfect English," says Vaudry, "It was unnerving. Then he revealed that he was a post-graduate student in English literature at Birmingham University."

While reactions to Heath's role remain mixed, Vaudrey, who was seen during the visit answering questions from the media in his Baghdad bedroom dressed only in boxer shorts, can have done himself nothing but good from the trip. One of his first questions when he stepped from the plane at Gatwick airport was the closing date for applications for the Tory candidature at Blaby, which Nigel Lawson is to vacate at the general

return was more mundane, for a good, English cuppa. Not that his party were on rations in Baghdad. They report that they were wined and dined like royalty, with no a trace, at least in the presidential palace, of sanctions biting. Saddam, however, was under the constant watchful eye of armed minders and all his food was sampled before he ate, a facility

Vaudrey says: "Mr Heath asked Dr Jeffrey Easton, who came out with us to tend to the hostages, if he would perform such a service, but he blanched at the prospect. I can't imagine why.

Old as the hills

denied to Heath.

here's no cliché like an old cliché, as Erasmus's own copy of his book of proverbs, Adagia, proves. Unknown until now to scholars, the book.

That's straight from the horse's mouth.



published in 1523, is covered with Erasmus's manuscript annotations, "It will be a major new source," says Dr Susan Wharton of Sotheby's, which next month auctions the manuscript for an Heath's first request on his estimated £250,000. It contains its performance, but the works on

some 2,500 lines scribbled by Erasmus in the margin of the text, adding approximately 60 pages to the previously known work. "His scribbles include new proverbs and biographical comments," says Wharton, "as well as comments on his reading."

The discovery throws further light on the ancient lineage of many proverbs still in everyday usage. To call a spade a spade, to have one foot in the grave, and to blow one's own trumpet are but three traced by Erasmus to Latin and Greek sources. Well knock me down with a feather, as Socrates might have said.

Victorious

our national arts companies will get together on January 6 to celebrate the life and achievements of Lilian Baylis, the woman who created the Vic-Wells Company and reopened Sadler's Wells 60 years ago. The National Theatre, the English National Opera, the Royal Ballet and the Birmingham Royal Ballet will each contribute to a twelfth-night evening at Baylis's Sadler's Wells, where all originated.

None has yet finalised details of at the time.

offer are likely to include extracts from Britten's Peter Grimes, which received its première at the Wells, and scenes from Shakespeare's Twelfih Night, a produc-tion of which, featuring John Gielgud and Ralph Richardson, reopened the Wells in 1931.

Sadler's Wells staff, who still await planning permission from Islington council for a new development that will almost certainly mean the destruction of the existing building, detected a happy omen for the celebrations at Chester races on Tuesday, Jockey Walter Swinburn notched his 100th winner of the season on a horse called Lilian Bayliss. In a neat reversal — and disregarding the extra final "s" — the two-year-old filly was sired by Sadler's Wells and has a half-brother called Old Vic.

Still winter

he film The, Thawing of a Cold War Warner, to be screened on BBC2 tonight. shows how General Ivan Yershov. deputy commander of the Warsaw Pact, sacrificed his career to help reunite his daughter with her Jewish husband in America: But it shows little thawing on the part of those who were formerly his

As the second most powerful man in the Red Army, Yershov was at the head of Soviet tanks that crushed the Prague Spring in 1968. While the film was being made, he expressed a desire to return to Prague to offer his personal regrets to Alexander Dubcek, the Czechoslovak leader

mission of personal perestroika." says Jamie Doran, producer of the documentary Doran took Yershov from Moscow to Prague expecting Dubcek, now chairman of the federal assembly, to shake

hands and agree to bury the past.
"Instead," says Doran, "it took three visits to set up the meeting. When it was finally held, Dubcek accepted the apology but refused to offer his forgiveness. No matter how many times the general said he was sorry. Dubcek said he just could not forgive. Yershov was absolutely distraught.

Pitt the first?

ing over the selection of their first black woman parliamentary candidate this week, Labour may be about to trump them with the first black member of the shadow cabinet. Labour peers are about to elect their representative in the shadow cabinet. Among the three candidates is the 77-year-old Lord Pitt of Hampstead, the first black peer.

Pitt, a Grenada born former GP and tireless race relations campaigner, is opposed by Lord Dean of Beswick and Lady Ewart-Biggs. Of his prospects - victory would almost certainly guarantee him a cabinet post if Labour forms the next government - he merely says: "May the best man or woman win." .

if that man proves to be Pitt, what remains of Labour's Bennite 968. While the film was being left will be in an ideological tade, he expressed a desire to diandary. While it campaigns eturn to Prague to offer his vigourously for black representation at the highest levels of the Dubcek, the Czechoslovak leader party, it surely did not anticipate the time.

"He wanted to go back on a unelected House of Lords.

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SUMMIT WITHOUT A CAUSE

The European Community's "emergency summit" this weekend deserves to be a shambles. This is a summit without a cause, convened mainly because the French and the Irish, when incumbents of the European Community's ridiculous six-month rotating presidency, also held two summits rather than one. The whole affair is such an embarrassment that the president of the Commission, Jacques Delors. is insisting that the meeting is not a European Council, merely an "extraordinary meeting" of heads of government.

The excuse Italy found for summoning Mrs Thatcher and her 11 colleagues to Rome, the alleged need for instant decisions on aid to the Soviet Union, has receded into never-never land before anybody boards a plane. M Delors : will present a Commission report on the Soviet economy and everybody will change the subject. To what?

M Delors is as eager as is Mrs Thatcher to avoid discussion of European monetary union, rightly sensing that to accede to French and German demands to set a firm date for the second stage would mean a battle royal, ending the tacit truce that followed Britain's entry into the exchange-rate mechanism. Mrs Thatcher's attitude is brisk. If the Italians want a summit, she will give them one, on Europe's weak-kneed response in the Gulf and, more immediately, on the scandal of the EC's inability to face down its farmers. The Council of Ministers' continuing refusal to accept cuts in agricultural subsidies is sabotaging the Gatt's Urugnay Round of trade talks. Helmut Kohl, facing a general election he can hardly lose, is determined to keep his kowtowing to German farmers off the agenda: The Commission has offered an ingenious under-thetable deal to the Germans, promising them that it will quietly ensure that the final Gatt deal leaves German farmers as richly sub-

aidised as ever. That, hopes M. Delors, will secure lastminute agreement by ministers in Luxembourg tomorrow, thus removing the topic from the summit agends. He knows that continued deadlock gives Mrs Thatcher an excellent weapon for ridiculing his high-flown plans for political union. Mrs. Thatcher should stick to her guns. Frank talk on the Gatt, and concrete

Has the conventional wisdom got global

warming all wrong? Scientists appear con-

vinced, according to the Intergovernmental

Panel on Climate Change last May, that mean

temperatures will rise to between 1.4 and 2.8

degrees above pre-industrial levels within 40

years if greenbouse gases are not limited.
Yesterday's report by Professor Martin Parry
of Birmingham University duly suggests that
global food output will drop by 20-30 per cent

by 2030 as a result of this warming, if nothing

Certainly some countries will gain, including

those such as Britain where most people would

probably prefer a warmer climate. The

Ukraine will become hugely productive. Britain will produce more, and more varied,

food, with maize, grapes, perhaps even bananas spronting from the slopes of the

Cotswolds. But the United States and Canada,

present source of much of the world's grain,

will suffer a fail in output, as will much of

Africa. Some parts of the globe will become

near uninhabitable. Others will only be

Professor Parry accepts that such estimates.

like any based on computers, are fraught with

reservations - not least the reservation that

eager doomwatchers may choose to ignore the

reservations. Worst-case scenarios should be

For instance, the Parry predictions take little

account of changes in agricultural technology,

an oversight that hardly squares with history.

Man has far more control over nature than the

computers recognise. Water tables in the Mid-

west of America may fall and farmers face ruin,

as they do in much of Africa. But how much of

this is the result, not of climatic change, but of

Humans have themselves destroyed much

of the world's environment, notably by

deforestation. Humans have also wrenched

from that environment huge gains in

productivity. New plants, perhaps less depen-

dent on water, can be developed. New regions

can be brought into cultivation. New political

How Labour changes. Just three years ago,

Bryan Gould was the darling of the par-

liamentary party. In the 1987 shadow cabinet

ballot, in which all Labour MPs vote, Mr

days is to court unpopularity.

poor husbandry, ultimately of poor politics?

inhabited at great inconvenience.

taken with a pinch of salt.

is done to counteract it.

results, might justify the weekend trip to Rome

As for political and monetary union, these are the topics for the regular European Council in seven weeks' time, not to mention the two intergovernmental conferences which begin then. Since national positions are far from clear, heads of government can make little headway. While the Twelve need to bring some coherence to their ragged policies on the Gulf, to give political union pride of place this weekend would only strengthen what is now a Europe-wide exasperation with the Italian presidency, a byword for visionary interances and disorganisation to rival that which marked the Greeks' occupancy of the EC chair.

The Italian government has peppered member states with new proposals, all intended to speed progress to a federal Europe. Yet when joint action was called for, the EC has rarely functioned so unsteadily. Ministers and of ficials alike complain that meetings are convened without evident purpose, without preparation, chaired with a lack of clarity or knowledge of the matter to hand. Italian positions often derive from the narrowly nationalistic need to keep Italy's shaky coalition government together.

The Italians are by no means the first to use their precious six months in the chair to dream great dreams and reach for some grand new European "initiative". If the Twelve run out of conversation in Rome, they might ask what purpose these rotating presidencies, with their short deadlines for "historic achievements", impart to EC business. With 12 members, each country's turn comes only every six years: matters will be worse when, as all agree it must, the Community admits new members from central and eastern Europe.

This highly nationalistic system is a comment on how the arteries of the Community are already beginning to harden, way ahead of any fanciful measures of political union. The Twelve should at least agree to stop their costly caravans from wandering round the capitals of Europe, like a Field of the Cloth of Gold in permanent session. Summits, when needed, should take place in Brussels. The only action demanded this weekend is over Gatt. Action

regimes can arise. The demise of communism

offers the world an incalculable but possibly

massive increase in agricultural production.

The process of adjustment may be uncomfort-

able, but nothing, not even a scientific

prediction, ever stands still. What humankind

But at a cost. The chief recent intruder into

the global warming debate has been econom-

ics. In The Times yesterday, Professor Wilfred

Beckerman reminded the ecologists that

environmental policies have costs as well as

benefits. The sensible scientist, the sensible

citizen, constantly weighs these costs and

benefits to see where the balance of policy

should fie. Economists of the Beckerman

school point out bluntly that cutting carbon

dioxide emissions is expensive. Cutting them

enough to make a substantive impact on global

warming, assuming they are the key determi-

nant of it, would be hugely expensive. It might

- only might - be better to change farm policy

so that the harmful impact of global warming

can be reduced in other ways: for instance by

improving farm productivity or assisting

Policies involving widespread environ-mental change usually have a more severe

impact on the poor than on the rich. Who are

the rich to say that the poor must suffer a

reduction in prosperity so as to cool down the

globe, rather than use that prosperity to

mitigate the disbenefits of warming, or even

The answer is that nobody really knows, but

everybody is entitled to plunge into the debate.

The scientists have performed their task by

telling the world what the world is like, how it

is changing, how it might change if certain

conditions obtain. The economists are rightly

process. Neither has an interest in environ-

mental hysteria. Both have an interest in

reasoned argument. The final decision rests,

thank goodness, not with either discipline, but

cal purity was the path to success in Labour

party elections. This year's elections have seen ideology submerged in zest for power. Those

who did well - John Smith, Gordon Brown,

Gerald Kaufman, Jack Straw - are tech-

identifying the costs involved in adjusting this

enjoy its side benefits?

with an informed electorate.

people to migrate to newly fertile areas.

can destroy, it can also mend.

there should be.

A COOL VIEW OF WARMING

Yours faithfully, RICHARD WHITFIELD. Chairma National Family Trust,

101 Queen Victoria Street, EC4. October 18.

Surawson

Sir, Your front-page picture (October 19) of two British soldiers, supposedly on patrol, yet totally unmilitary in dress, bearing or alertness will have done nothing to make the nation proud of the British Army or the Army proud of itself. Indeed, it puts us in mind of Wellington's comment in 1809 him in Spain: "I don't know what effect these men will have upon the enemy, but, by God, they terrify me".

What can your people or the Army's public relations staff have been thinking of? What is needed to redress this error of taste and judgment is a picture of troops operationally deployed in the desert ready for action — if action be needed — and preferably of my own regiment, The Queen's Royal Irish Hussars.

The Old Rectory, Boyton, Warminster, Wiltshire.

Uses of Latin From Mr N. J. Munday

Sir, How sad that Mr Robin

Latin is not just language work, though it should aid the devshould also introduce pupils to literature and classical history. issues - politics, love, war and death - as well as ordinary day-today communication.

Mr Wilson's pupils (apart from his élite) may have lots of skills, but they will be missing out on

NICK MUNDAY (Head of Classics).

Clergy assessment From Canon Ellis Slack

What is new is the proposed relationship of job security and assessment. While the proposal may be welcomed by many, it will cause considerable anxiety unless and until they know the criteria

Will competence be judged on the ability to raise money, create a mutual admiration society of the like-minded, twang a guitar, twirl a thurible? Assessment and the criteria for it raise questions of a fundamental nature. What is a priest? What is he supposed to be doing?

In a broad Church, such as the C . Surely it is the laity who should be

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From the Chairman of the National Family Trust

Sir, After lamenting the mis-directed £32 million publicity campaigns of the last four years concerning HIV-Aids, Thomson Prentice's advice to the Minister of Health ("Aids: this time send the right message", October 17) about the next phase of public education is far too flabby.

HIV infection in this country and the USA is now known to be a multi-wave epidemic. There are no clear grounds for presuming that the known cases of heterosexual transmission are anything other than early markers of an exponential growth pattern which will overtake the combined homosexual and intravenous drug abuse cases in about 30 years' time.

That is, unless we change our sexual behaviour markedly. Given the often long-delayed onset of symptoms, we are now counting the consequences of sexual acts going back to 1980, not 1987 when public health

ampaigning began.
Since HIV gravely threatens our reproductive functions, society needs enough young people who know for sure that they are free from infection. Hence "safer sex", which is all that the condom culture provides, is far too complacent for public campaigns, From a psychological perspective, the careless hedonism which it implies further undermines the secure male/female bonding which cultures need to survive.

We could learn from Zambia with a call for "One man, one woman, for life". We might even dare to tell each other that Abstinence and chastity are OK", or to challenge our young people with "No intercourse be-fore marriage". Prudential ethics, let alone any

other moral tradition, now actually demands such precepts if we really care about the future and about sexual fulfilment without fear. Over to you, Mrs Bottomiey. lest HIV succeeds in taking much of the pleasure and all of the security out of sex.

Soldiers in the Gulf

From Major-General John

on seeing a draft of troops sent to

Yours, JOHN STRAWSON,

guarantee that if the goods do not come up to scratch he knows where to complain and who in a legal sense is "liable" for the

Wilson (Education, October 15) thinks that his pupils have a broader curriculum with two modero languages than with one plus

elopment of language skills and of information technology too. It They need to encounter beroes as well as keyboards and tackle great

Yours faithfully, The Manchester Grammar School. Manchester 13. October 18.

Sir, The idea of clergy assess ment/appraisal is not new (report October 15; letters, October 19). Many individuals and teams have, for a number of years, voluntarily undergone assessment in order the better to fulfil their vocations and objectives (I am not referring to spiritual direction, which is an allied but quite different disci-

for assessment.

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Sending the right 'Classic' defects of Court of Appeal Need for security message on Aids From the chairman of the executive committee of Justice of Appeal to beat truancy edges, is not the role of the Court of Appeal.

Justice,

Chairman, Executive Committee.

Sir, Your report (October 23) of

the Court of Appeal case of In re J (a Minor) is indicative of the feeble protection afforded by our

law to the handicapped. These

people, in my experience, show the able-bodied what courage and

resilience mean; no wonder they

demonstrate on the streets for their rights if the Court of Appeal

can approve medical action which

The Master of the Rolls felt

unable to accept the propositions

advanced by the Supreme Court of

It is not appropriate for an external

decision-maker to apply his stan-dards of what constitutes a liveable life and exercise the right to impose death if that standard is not met in

This is not the first time our

courts have refused to follow

sound reasoning from Canadian superior tribunals. In a number of

cases which have come before

English courts regarding sterilising handicapped girls, our judges rejected out of hand the meticu-

lous approach of the Supreme

Court of Canada, a court which had had the benefit of counsel from the Canadian Law Com-

mission on the ethical implica-

tions of this area of medical

It is high time that there was

some permanent body to consider

these issues and to issue reasoned

advice before the cases arise. The Court of Appeal has yet again shown that it is ill-fitted to be

guardian of the handicapped's

rights and, further, that our soci-

ety's reaction to handicap is

I am, Sir, yours etc., CHRISTOPHER LAKEMAN,

393a Wandsworth Road, SW8.

criminal field is a relatively small

All standard fees agreed be-

tween the Lord Chancellor and the

Bar in the last three years have

been at a level below the relevant rate of inflation. It is precisely

because there are standard fees

that the Lord Chancellor's Depart-

ment and the Treasury have been able to exercise control. What they

cannot and should not be able to

control is the right of the individ-

ual to have access to justice.

(Deputy Chief Executive),

The General Council of the Bar.

11 South Square, Gray's Inn. WC1.

Yours faithfully,

NIALL MORISON

practice and the law.

profoundly immoral.

amount of work.

British Columbia, namely:

fails to prevent death.

his estimation.

95a Chancery Lane, WC2.

From Mr C. G. P. Lakeman

Yours faithfully, WILLIAM GOODHART,

Sir, Sir Frederick Lawton's article, "Judgments without prejudice" (The Law, October 22), fails to

answer the charges laid at the door of the Court of Appeal.

There have been many more miscarriages of justice established in the past 20 years than the three which he mentions. There are six reported cases of appeals being allowed because the judges had a "lurking doubt" about the appellant's guilt, as well as some 16 appeals allowed after a reference back by the Home Secretary. At least three of these have arisen from the BBC's Rough Justice

Moreoever, the Home Secretary paid out nearly £1 million to 60 persons proved to have been wrongly imprisoned in the years 1980-7. Justice estimates that there are at least 15 cases of wrongful imprisonment each year.

The reason why the Court of Appeal frequently fails to detect ese is because of its self-imposed limitations: it will not consider the failings of lawyers, and is really only concerned to correct procedural irregularities.

Sir Frederick refers to the Luton Post Office murder case as one in which the court held that there had been no miscarriage of justice. In fact, that case was a classic example of the defects of the present system; after no less than four unsuccessful references back, on which the court concentrated on procedural issues rather than the substantial question of guilt or innocence, the Home Secretary remitted the sentences of the two men concerned.

The point of an independent tribunal is that it should operate without these shackles. It would look at everything, the conduct of the investigators, prosecution and defence, as well as admissible and imadmissible evidence, and should be free to pursue its own inquiries. Its object would be to get at the truth - something which, as Sir Frederick implicitly acknowl-

Fees and justice

From Mr Niall Morison Sir. There is much to be welcomed

in your leader (October 22) "Justice v lawyers" and the views about extending access to justice are to be supported. However, some misinformation in it concerning hourly rates should be corrected.

In the crown court more than 70 per cent of all work undertaken by barristers is subject to a standard fee agreed between the Lord Chancellor's Department and the Bar Council. There is only one area in which an hourly rate applies and that is to attendance at consultations etc., which in the

Sir, Your leader, "In praise of piracy" (October 23), is delib-erately mischievous. Counterfeiting

is a criminal offence and Parlia-

ment has created a specific offence

of fraudulent use of a trade mark.

feiting affects not only the luxury

goods which the leader maligns, but also automotive and aviation

spare parts, pharmaceuticals, agri-

cultural chemicals and electrical

goods and components where

dangerous and substandard pro-

ducts present a real threat to

Trade marks are the consumer's

consumers' safety.

The modern scourge of counter-

Piracy protest

From Mr Robin Harper

October 23 on their profits, nor do they have to ensure their counterfeit products conform with safety and hygiene standards. Those who condone this illicit trade often support organized criminals who are laundering money from other

illegal activities such as drug-

trafficking. Counterfeiting is theft: of reputation, profits and goodwill. It does not make it any less a crime because the theit is from companies who by definition have achieved good profits by the establishment, often over many years, of a valuable brand name.

ROBIN HARPER (Chairman). The Anti-Counterfeiting Group Ltd... 32 High Street,

Berlin foresight From Mr Brian Crozier

Sir, You ask who, even two years ago, would have foreseen the demolition of the Berlin Wall "Not without honour", leading article, October 16). The answer is Anatoliy Golitsyn, in his book, New Lies for Old (p.340).

Golitsyn defected in 1961, and his book was published in the UK in 1984, a year before Mikhail Gorbachev reached the top. As a former KGB deception specialist, Golitsyn also foresaw the return of Sakharov and Dubcek, the liberalisation in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe. He didn't need a crystal ball to forecast the great deception exercise of the past few years. What he could not foresee was that the exercise would get out of control.

Yours very truly, BRIAN CROZIER, 303 The Linen Hall, 162-166 Regent Street, W1.

of E, answers to the questions will differ. But it should not be beyond the wit of man, using the Ordinals etc., to draw up an acceptable form of job guide. The criteria cannot be left to the whims and

fancies of whoever happens to be

in authority at a particular time. If the clergy freehold is to be replaced by "contracts", ought we not to look at the same time at the question of long-serving lay officers who can be just as much "a ball and chain on the Body of Christ" as any cleric.

Yours faithfully, **ELLIS SLACK** (Post-ordination director, Blackburn Diocese, 1983-8). 6 Parkfield. Stillington, York.

From Colonel J. H. C. Hordern Sir, It is with concern that I have read in your pages the desire by certain members of the clergy of the Church of England to retain their freehold tenure until 70.

Yours faithfully.

High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire.

Plimsoll line

From Mr A. P. S. de Redman Sir, Mrs M. Evans, writing on the

dearth of plimsolls (October 22), has identified a wider problem. Recently I decided to buy something to play the large number of records that clutter up my sittingroom, Imagine, if you would, the incredulous stares of the various shop assistants when I asked to see some record players!

What I eventually brought home is called "a stack". It provides wireless, tape and record player with a console that would not look out of place on the flight deck of Concorde. All very sleek and glamorous looking, but I should prefer a simple record player. Yours faithfully,

ADRIAN de REDMAN. Flat 1, 283 Gillot Road, Rotton Park, Birmingham. October 22

requesting a security of tenure for

the incumbents, and not the clergy themselves. My disquiet stems from the fact

that those ordained to follow the life of Christ seem not to wish to do so when considering the roof over their heads. Many walks of life, particularly the Services, appear to follow Christ more closely in this respect.

It will be interesting in the debate in the Synod to see, under whatever excuse, e.g. financial and housing difficulties, how many clergy support a system that appears to the rest of the world to be contrary to the example of Jesus Christ. Yours faithfully, JOE HORDERN (Churchwarden), Radwinter,

Letters to the Editor should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number -(071) 782 5046.

Saffron Walden, Essex

October 22

From Mrs Carole For Sir, Proposals to publish figures on truancy (report, October 19) as-sume that facts can be collected. yet we are told there are not systems for checking on pupils' attendance during the day at school, only on arrival. Is it so difficult for schools to do what employers have been doing for

In the course of my daily business life, I visit many offices and factories where several hundred people are employed on the site, often all arriving and leaving at the same time by the same entrance. In nearly every case, there is a formal reception and exit procedure, varying from having to sign a book and collect a badge from a commissionaire to more elaborate procedures with security passcards.

I often notice security cameras and in many plants, staff and visitors must wear identification badges. None of this seems to bother the people who work there. or the genuine, as opposed to the clandestine, visitor, Indeed, it must give a certain comfort to the employees to feel their space is

"owned" by them alone. In a previous job, I visited schools. I never witnessed any kind of control on cars leaving and entering the premises and rarely encountered any kind of reception procedure. I often roamed the corridors unchallenged until i could locate an office, usually on the first floor. Skipping out of lessons would have been all too easy and it would not have been hard to raid the stationery cup-

board or indeed set light to it! Why do we accept the need to maintain a level of control on reasonably well-motivated, honest adults, yet let immature and occasionally disturbed children pass in and out of schools without supervision? While we are waiting for the time when all pupils are honest, tidy and committed to putting in a full day, we could install some basic security procedures to keep them in, and vandals, petty thieves and flashers

OUL. Yes, of course it will cost money, but then so does truancy and the disadvantaged society it produces.

Yours faithfully, CAROLE FOY. Crichton House, Pathhead, Midlothian. October 22.

Ronson in prison

From Mrs Margaret Canovan Sir, Like Mrs Gerald Ronson (October 23), the Board of Visitors of HM Prison Ford feel most concerned about the persistent "hounding" of the Guinness trio, and exaggerations in their search for dramatic "copy". Appointed to a watch-dog role by the Home Secretary, the BOV is in close contact with the daily life at the prison and is in a strong position to substantiate many of Mrs Ronson's details.

The prison has been meticulous in dealing with what they recognise as a potentially sensitive issue, complying strictly with prison rules and without any special treatment for the individuals concerned. To follow anything other than standard procedure would be a disservice to staff, all immates and their families. Yours faithfully,

M. CANOVAN (Chairman, Board of Visitors), HM Prison Ford. Arundel, West Sussex. October 23.

From Mr John C. Mewies Sir. For Mrs Ronson to suggest that her husband has not been privileged whilst detained is palpable nonsense. Never, during the whole of my experience as a criminal lawyer, have I known a client of mine to be transferred so quickly to an open prison. Not once have I known of a convicted prisoner being allowed to have an unsupervised visit to his own medical adviser on the outside and thereafter stop off at home for lunch prior to his return to prison.

Mrs Ronson's husband has certainly enjoyed concessions and privileges which are beyond the wildest dreams of the ordinary convicted person. If she requires further proof she should visit HM . Prison, Armley, Leeds and other similar establishments. Yours sincerely, JOHN MEWIES.

J. P. Mewies & Co. (Solicitors). Clifford House, Keighley Road, Skipton, North Yorkshire. October 23.

Perfect silence From Dr R. T. D Oliver

Sir, I must take issue with the contention in your editorial (October 19) that one has to wait for the tomb to achieve perfect silence.

My most spiritual experience of silence came when attending a concert of electronic synthesized music many years ago, listening to music by some composer, long forgotten, who used periods of silence between cacophony as a feature of his composition.

This led me to realise that indeed silence was golden, though you need noise to appreciate it. Yours faithfully.

TIM OLIVER. The London Hospital Medical College.

Department of Medical Oncology. Turner Street, El. October 19.

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cabinet altogether. Ms Richardson fell from seventh to fifteenth place. Only Mrs Beckett and Mr Cook were left unscathed. This is parily because both have put in such a good performance in their shadow cabinet jobs during the summer, partly because, unlike the others, their rebelliousness was thought to be truly conscientious. Mrs Beckett is a reformed left-winger, who now wins votes from the right wing of the party for

as an opportunistic attempt to court left-wing

votes from constituency delegates at the next day's election to the NEC. MPs thought the

shadow cabinet rebels were putting themselves

before their party, and punished them accord-

ingly. Miss Lestor was voted out of the shadow

her firm stand on (future) public spending Gone are the days, it seems, when ideologi-The state of the s

Gould came top, followed in second place by John Prescott. Yesterday, these two came nocrats. So is Ann Taylor, an able politician second last and last, respectively. Had the with no noticeable political stance, who has entered the frontbench team for the first time. shadow cabinet not been enlarged last year, A recent Gallup poll for the Daily Telegraph they might have been dropped altogether. So imbued with discipline is Neil Kinnock's newshowed a remarkable absence of public dislike or distrust for members of the shadow cabinet. style Labour party that to cross the leader these In the 1960s, such polls discovered large numbers antagonised by George Brown. Tony Both Mr Gould and Mr Prescott voted against Mr Kinnock's position on defence in Benn had the same effect on voters in the early 1970s. In this month's poll, all the shadow the national executive committee (NEC) last month They were joined by Joan Lestor, Jo Richardson, Margaret Beckett and Robin cabinet members in the sample won positive ratings: more people thought they were an asset Cook. The rebels' behaviour was mostly seen to the party than a liability.

KINNOCK'S REVENGE

No party left in opposition for more than a decade can hope to command the public recognition that is accorded to a governing team. Experience is always against it. If this shadow cabinet were to form the next administration, it would be more lacking in ministerial experience than any government since the war. Mr Kinnock's particular handicap, sheer lack of track record in the ruling business, will always set him at a disadvantage to Margaret Thatcher. But Mr Kinnock must at least be credited with turning

some handicaps to gain. He has shown he can

defeat his extremists, discipline any incipient rebellion, reward hard work and keep trouble (notably in local Labour groups) well out of sight. No Tory can be in any doubt that he is becoming a formidable opponent.

COURT CIRCULAR

Her Majesty subsequently at

tended a reception in the Ser-geants Mess and afterwards honoured the President of the

Colonel Blair Stewart-Wilson

The Duke of Edinburgh, Pa-

tron and Trustee of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme.

this morning attended the Award Scheme General Council

and was received by Her Maj

esty's Lord-Lieutenant for

Lowther).
His Royal Highness later attended a reception at the Derngate, followed by a dinner

at the Swallow Hotel.
Lieutenant Commander Mai-

colm Sillars, R.N. was in

October 24: The Princess Mar-garet, Countess of Snowdon this

evening planted a tree at Mari-borough Gate on behalf of the

Dame Jean Maxwell-Scott was in attendance.

ing the appointment as Commanding Officer,

October 24: The Duchess of Kent this morning opened the Northern Conference Centre at

the Merseyside Council for Vol-untary Services, Mount Vernon Green, Liverpool and was re-ceived on arrival by Her Maj-esty's Lord Lieutenant for

Merseyside (Mr. Henry Cotton).
Her Royal Highness this afternoon opened the Amanda Jane
Turner Scanner Unit at

Ashton-under-Lyne and later, as Patron of the Christie Hospital

and Holt Radium Institute, Withington, visited the Pat Seed

Building and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Greater Manchester (Colonel John Timmins), Mrs Peter Wilmot-Sitwell was in executance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE

October 24: Princess Alexandra

Miss Mona Mitchell was in

of Australia. 84; Mr Martin Gilbert, historian. 54; Mr Steve

Hodge, footballer, 28; Mr J.G.S.

Longcroft, former chairman. Tricentrol, 61: Mr D.C. Mansel

Lewis. Lord Lieutenant of Dyfed, 63; Sir John Mayhew-

Syled, 63; Sir John Maynew-Sanders, company chairman, 59; Mr Joe Mercer, jockey, 56; Mr George Russell, chairman, IBA, 55; Mr A.C. Smith, chief executive, TCCB, 54; Miss Galina Vishnevskaya, soprano, 64; Different D.1. Wicoman, 64; Deferent D.1. Wicoman, 64; Defer

64: Professor D.J. Wiseman professor of Assyriology, 72,

BIRTHS: James Beanie, poet. Laurencekirk, Grampian, 1735;

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Ukraine, 1895.

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the ensuing year. The other

officers will be:

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in attendance.

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YORK HOUSE ST. JAMES'S PALACE

KENSINGTON PALACE

BUCKINGHAM PALACE October 24: The President of the Italian Republic this morning at Buckingham Palace received the Leader of the Opposition (the Right Hon. Neil Kinnock, M.P.).

His Excellency later drove to St. James's Palace in a Carriage Procession, accompanied by a Captain's Escort with Standard of the Household Cavalry and received. High Commissioners received High Commissioners of the Commonwealth Countries and Ambassadors accred-

ited to the court of St. James's.

Award Scheme General Council

The President of the Italian

at the Derngate, Northampton Republic visited the Palace of Westminster and was received by the Lord Great Chamberlain Marquess

holmondeley). The Prime Minister (the Right Hon. Margaret Thatcher, M.P.), the Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House of Commons (the Right Hon. Sir Geoffrey Howe, M.P.) and the Lord Privy Seal and Leader of the House of Lords

(the Lord Belstead) were pre-sented to His Excellency.

The President of the Italian Republic was conducted by the Lord Chancellor (the Lord Mackay of Clashfern) and the Speaker (the Right Hon. Bernard Weatherill, M.P.) to the Dais in the Royal Gallery where the Eventlance addressed both His Excellency addressed both Houses of Parliament

borough Gate on behalf of the Westminster Tree and Preserva-tion Trust in honour of the 90th birthday of Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother. Her Royal Highness later attended a Reception at Sotheby's, New Bond Street. The Hon. Mrs. Wills was in The Queen's Body Guard of the Yeoman of the Guard were KENSINGTON PALACE NENSINGTON PALACE
October 24: Princess Alice,
Duchess of Gloucester as
Honorary President, today visited King's College Hospital,
Denmark Hill, London, SES,
where Her Royal Highness
opened the Children Nationwide Regional Neonatal Centre,
Dame Jean Maxwell-Score The President of the Italian Republic was entertained at lunch by the Prime Minister at No 10 Downing Street.

Later His Excellency held a Press Conference at the St.

Press Conference at the St.
James's Court Hotel.

The President of the Italian
Republic and The Queen visited
the British Museum and inaugurated the Exhibition "The Lion
of Venice".

His Excellency and Her Majwas in attendance.

Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, Colonel-in-Chief, the Royal Hussars (Prince of Wales's Own), this evening received Lieutenant Colonel Richard Morris on relinquishing the appointment and the secondary of the secondary rus executency and Her Majesty were received by the Mayor of the London Borough of Camden (Councillor Nirmal Roy) and the Lord Windlesham

(Chairman of the Trustees of the

(Charman of the Trustees of the British Museum),
Subsequently, The President of the Italian Republic and The Queen were received by The Duke of Gloucester (the Sovereign's Appointee to the Board of Trustees of the British Museum), The Duchess of Gloucester and Sir David Wilson ter and Sir David Wilson (Director).
This evening The President of

the Italian Republic received an Address of Welcome at a Court of Common Council and after-wards was entertained at a Banquet by the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor and Corporation of London at Guildhall.
The Duke and Duchess of

Gloucester were present. The Queen this morning vis-ited 20 Squadron Royal Corps of Transport (Royal Baggage Train) at Regents Park Barracks, Having been received by Ma-jor General Simon Cooper (General Officer Commanding London District), Her Majesty was received on the Parade Ground with a Royal Salute.

was received on the Parade was present this evening at a Ground with a Royal Salute.

The Queen, escorted by Lieutenant-Colonel M.R.U. support of the London International String Quartet Compander Transport and Movements petition, at St. James's Palace. London District) planted a

Today's royal engagements

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will attend a recital and banquet given by the Italian President at the Victoria and The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron and Trustee of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme. will attend meetings of the general council at the Northampton Most House and the Demograe at 9.45; and will visit Avon Cosmetics. Nunn Mills Road. Northampton, at 1.55. The Princess of Wales will attend a service in St Paul's Cathedral at 10.55 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the birtz on London.

Gloucester, as President of the Ladies' Guild of the St John Opthalmic Hospital, will open the "Gift of Sight" fair at St Columba's Church of Scotland. Pont Street, at 11.00; and, as Patron of the London House for Overseas Graduates, will visit the house at Mecklenburgh uare, at 6.00.

Princess Alexandra will open the Lakeside shooping centre at Thurrock, Essex, at 11.45. Prince Michael of Kent. as Patron of the Spirit of Brooklands Appeal, will attend an appeal function at the museum. Weybridge, at noon,

Birthdays today

Reception

Sir Robert Andrew, civil servant, 62: Lord Brimelow, 75: Major-General Sir Rohan Delacombe, former Admin-istrator of the Commonwealth

Mr and Mrs S.P. Hinduja Prince Michael of Kent attended Chairs a reception given by Mr S.P. Hinduja. Chairman of the Hinduja Group. and Mrs. Hinduja with Mr Gopichand Kenneth E. Easterling Professor of Engineering (Materials Sci-ence), formerly Professor and head of Department of En-P. Hinduja. Mr Prakash P. gineering Materials at the University of Lulea, Sweden, Hinduja and Mr. Aslok P. Hinduja, and their ladies, on Mary E. John. Professor of monday night at New Zealand Education, formerly staff tutor House to mark Diwali, the Festival of Lights, celebrating in Social Sciences at the Open the Hindu New Year 2047. Mr S.P. Hinduja welcomed the guests of honour, the Lord Chancellor and Lady Mackay of **Royal Thames** Yacht Club Clashfern, and the other guests The Lord Chancellor replied. The Duke of York has been Mr Joshua Nkomo, Vice-Presielected Commodore of the Royal Tharnes Yacht Club for dent of Zimbabwe, the Right

Hon Cecil Parkinson, Secretary of State for Transport, Mr P.R. Kumaramangalim, MP, and Dr John Cunningham, MP, also spoke. Mr Hugh Carless gave a vote of thanks. Among the

Christening VOIC Of Indian. Among one guests were:

The Mon Angus Ogili y, Mr. Cerli Pai knison, the arthrodors of Argen into Brazil and Fronce. Vis Salinan Into Brazil and Fronce. Vis Salinan Haider, othe Indian Deputy Hother Commissoners, Lord Armedrone, Lord Houdding, the Hon Main Lery Lord Houdding, Mr. Mr. Anguer Mr. Anguer and Mr. Manguer Palar Mr. Anguer Anti-Mr. Alors Singh Mr. Nachth Vernit, Mrs. Nota Singh Mr. Nachth Vernit, Mrs. Livabelin Lyles Coll. Canar Anti-Marchell Lyles Coll. Canar Anti-Marchell Mr. John Persult, and Mr. Anduron Sir Patrick Wright Sir Peter Marchell Air John Persult, and Mr. and Mrs. Challes Edwards. The infant daughter of Mr and Mrs C.R. George was christened Isobel Claire Elizabeth, by Dum Abbey, Hereford, on October 20, 1990. The godparents are Mrs Peter Waddell, Mrs Nicho-Holt and Mr Gentlies

OBITUARIES

Roger Powell, OBE, bookbinder, died on October 16 aged 94. He was born on May 17, 1896.

ROGER Powell will best be remembered for his rebinding of the Book of Keils and other Mess Committee (Major John Hope) with her presence at lunch in the Officers' Mess.

Mrs. Robert de Pass, Mr Robin Janvrin and Lieutenantearly Irish manuscripts. He leaves in positions of authority around the world people able to continue the highest traditions of the craft of bookbinding a craft that through his invaluable research into early binding structures, he

book conservation.

in Palestine and Egypt in the the complex problems first world war he became a involved. began studying bookbinding 1966 Florence flood, and at the Central School of Arts many important bindings and Crafts, under Douglas Cockerell. Cockerell had worked with Cobden-Sanderson, who in turn had been directly influenced by his friend, William Morris. Powell was invited to join Douglas Cockerell and his son, Sydney, in Letchworth and in 1936 he became a partner. Sydney Cockerell and Roger Powell subsequently developed the arts and crafts ethos inherited from Douglas Cockerell, with its emphasis on sound con-struction, supreme craftsmanship, an understanding of materials and the mechanical functioning of a book as a

duced by the workshop, for example the prayer books for Canterbury Cathedral. ln 1947 Powell left Cockerell & Son and set up his own workshop in Froxfield, Hampshire. He bound and tooled many commemorative rolls of honour, for example for RAF Constal Command, and produced many dec-

Jo Ann Kelly, British country blues singer, died on October 21 aged 46. She was born on

January 5, 1944, in Streatham, south London.

JO ANN Kelly's father, Wil-

liam, a chef de cuisine, played

the drums semi-professionally

and there was always a wide

range of music on the family's

78 rpm radiogram. Aided by

her younger brother, Dave Kelly, later a guitarist in the

Blues Band and a solo per-

former in his own right, Jo

Ann became interested in

playing guitar and singing during the skiffle craze of the

grammar school and spent her

spare time hanging round Dave Carey's Swing Shop

record store in Streatham Hill

with her brother Dave, and

Tony McPhee, later guitarist

things around were Leadbelly

and Big Bill Broonzy," Dave

Kelly recalls. "When Jo Ann

and Tony and I first started

playing we thought we were the only people in the country

playing country blues. We'd

hang around waiting for

records to come in by John Lee Hooker, Lightnin' Hop-

kins and all the others."

"In 1961 the only blues

with the Groundhogs.

three-dimensional object.

During this period many fine

decorative bindings were pro-

ROGER POWELL

Britain. Central to Powell's style of decoration was the building up of intricate patterns from just a few tools, or from simple straight lines or

blocks of text. In 1953 came the important commission for the rebinding of the Book of Kells for Trinity College, Dublin. The work was carried out in Dublin, aided by Pamela Gott, and represents the height of well considered conservation trustearly binding structures, he ment. Powell displayed a sym-shaped into the profession of pathy and appreciation for the materials of vellum, quarter-Powell was educated at cut oak and alum-tawed pig-Bedales School. After serving skin and an understanding of

poultry farmer with his He belped in the British brother, Oliver. In 1930 he effort in the aftermath of the were brought back to the workshop in Froxfield to be worked on by Powell and his partner, Peter Waters. Waters had been a student of Powell at the Royal College of Art, where he succeeded Douglas Cockerell as tator of book-binding in 1943. After the Book of Kells there followed the conservation of a roll call of great Celtic manuscripts; the Books of Dimma, Durrow and Armagh for the Royal Irish Academy, St Chad's Gospels for Lichfield Cathedral in 1961 and the seventh century Cathach of St Columba in 1981. As notable as his active conservation work was his scholarly contribution to conservation studies.

Roger Powell sat on British Standard technical commit-tees and was consulted internationally. In 1961 Trinity College, Dublin, conferred an Honorary MA on him and in 1976 he was appointed OBE for his services to bookbinding and book conservation.

He was inventive, as witnessed by his imaginative

orative bindings such as the adaptation of tools to produce ative generation of arts and He is survived by his son, Bruce Rogers Lectern Bible, his own style of decoration crafts bookhinders. He was a David and twin daughters, bound for the 1951 Festival of and he took joy in excellence.



He was multi-faceted, in that but also a woodworker and metalworker, as well as a bee keeper, an organic farmer, a cricketer and golfer, and a great singer of Gilbert and

Sullivan and madrigals. His death, following that of Sydney Cockerell, brings to an end a distinguished and cre-

JO ANN KELLY

announced her intention of her to America where re-

becoming a professional folk bearsals with the albino

of rural acoustic blues, as sung studio, and a poorly-financed

The big time appeared to the same bill as her childhood.

beckon when she secured a hernes Bukka White and Mis-

received, but the British blues She duetted with McDowell

boom was tailing off. CBS sent on his 1969 album, Standing of the Year.

singer, although she quickly

found that the earthier sound

by such greats as Memphis

Minnie, was her true métier.

recording contract with CBS

records in 1969. Her debut

album, Jo Ann Kelly, was well

information, and his legacy is he was not only a bookbinder, a group of people around the world to whom he passed on his philosophy and skills, for whom he raised the status of the profession, and whom he described as "fourth generation arts and crafts".

In 1924 he married Rita Glanville who died in 1988. He is survived by his son,

at the Burying Ground, re-corded live in London that

year. She made several albums

best recorded example of her

acoustic country blues singing.

Other projects, such as her

group Spare Rib, were dogged

by mismanagement and finan-cial problems, while her fam-

ously honest and direct

attitude was something of a

liability when it came to the

shifting sands of record com-

pany politics. But she never

lost her feel for her music and

recorded with an electric

band, achieving her best re-

spits on the album Just Rest.

ion. She also worked with Pete

Emery, her partner since the

early Seventies and father of

In 1988 she underwent an

operation to remove a malig-

nant humour on the brain. Her

condition was diagnosed as

incurable, but she carried on

working. She played her final

shows this summer with her

brother Dave at the Cam-

bridge Folk Festival and at

Colne in Lancashire where she

won the British Blues Federa-

tion Award for Female Singer

her daughter Ellie.

DR PHILIP BRODIE

having to struggle for it. They joined the liberation struggle will not achieve it at the as a young man."

Mothopeng was born in the Crange Free State and became involved in politics in 1940, when he joined the ANC's youth wing. His early career Africanist Congress.

The Very Rev Dr Philip Brodie, a former Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, died on October 16 aged 73. He was born on October 22, 1916.

during the Seventies, most notably her 1972 release, Jo Ann Kelly with Pahey, Mann & Miller, which remains the PETER Philip Brodie, a distinguished parish minister and churchman, was minister of St Mungo's, Allon, for 40 years until his retirement in 1987. Before that he had served five years at St Mary's, Kirkintilloch. Brodie was born in Airdrie, and educated at Airdrie Academy and Glasgow University where, after graduating MA and BD and entering the ministry, he stud-ied law. The university made him an honorary DD in 1975..

Dr Brodie's work was

TOOLEG IN DIS COMMI regular preaching and continuing pastoral care. He was convener of a Church of Scotland committee whose comprehensive scheme for reorganising synods and presbyteries was approved in 1975, making ecclesiastical boundaries coincide more or less with those of regional and district councils. A year later he became convener of the general administration committee and of the assembly's business committee. He was chairman of the assembly's judicial commission from 1982 to 1987, and of the



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reflected his talent; he became a high school teacher and took a correspondence course for a

BA degree. He was sacked

after leading opposition by

teachers in the Transvaal to

perpetuating black inferiority. But the ANC, of which he was

with its contact with activists

The PAC view is that:blacks

process rather than gain equal-

ity through white concession

or compromise.

Mothopeng was jailed three times for his political activities. He served a two-year

sentence for incitement during the Sharpeville crisis of 1960

and a further three years from

1964 for PAC activities. In

1976 after his conviction on terrorism charges he was sen-tenced to 15 years in jail.

While in prison Mothopeng

was diagnosed as having

throat cancer, and the disease

spread to other parts of his

body. The government re-leased him after 12 years.

"If I had my way I would be resting in bed," Mothopeng

said on his release. "But I

must stress that it is only my

body that is weak and not my

spirit. I am as determined to

fight for the liberation of Azania today as I was the day I

His spirit remained un-

ZEPHANIA

MOTHOPENG

and stood apart from the more conciliatory approach of Nelson Mandela. But like him, him By 1959 he was unhappy

in jail, and became a figure of of other races, so he broke

stature to his followers in his away with others and played a

His release from Diepkloof must struggle for their free-Prison, Johannesburg in Nov- dom and find dignity in the

born on September 10, 1913.

an uncompromising militant

Mothopeng spent much time

ember 1988 preceded reforms

that included freedom for the

ANC leaders and government promises to include blacks in a

new constitution. In their first

public statements after being

against the government. But

unlike Mandela and other

ANC leaders, Mothopeng op-

posed talks with the govern-ment intended to pave the way for a new constitution.

The Pan Africanist Congress

refuses to recognize the white-

led government and opposes

repossession of our land from

foreign colonial oppressors," he said this year, "Our libera-

tion will be brought about by the Africans themselves, by

negotiating tables."

political career.

Council of Churches and the Scottish Churches Council. elected Moderator of the General Assembly. His personality, wide knowledge and deep understanding of the

also involved in the British

church enabled him to make huge use of the opportunities this provided. The assembly of 1979 received a report which spoke of his bringing gladness and encouragement to congregations and gather-ings of Christians in many places, enhancing the mission and service of the church, and promoting christian unity.

Dr Brodie was a family man, happy in his marriage of 41 years. His wife, Constance, general trustees from 1985 and their three sons and one until May of this year. He was daughter survive him.

After leaving school, Jo Ann

Thomas Babington Macaulay, 1st Baron Macaulay, historian and politician. Rothley Temple. Leies, 1800; Richard Bonington. **Marriages** Mr B.V. Sangster and Miss L.Q. Wigram

Leics, 1800; Richard Bonington, painter. Arnold, Notts. 1801; Johann Strauss, composer of Blue Danube, Vienna, 1825; The marriage took place yes-terday at St Paul's, Knights-Georges Bizet, composer, Paris. 1838; Pablo Picasso, painter, Malaga, Spain, 1881; Richard bridge, of Mr Benjamin-Sangster, son of Mr Robert Sangster, of The Numery. Douglas, Isle of Man, and of Mrs Ian Stratheam Gordon, of Byrd, pioneer aviator and Polar explorer. Winchester, Virginia. 1888; Levi Eshkol, prime min-ister of Israel 1965-69. Oratovo. Angeston Grange, Ulcy, Gloucestershire, to Miss Lucy Wigram, Iwin daughter of Mr and the Hon Mrs Anthony Wigram, of 16 Porchester Ter-race, W. The Rev Christopher

DEATHS: Stephen, reigned 1135-54, Dover, 1154; Geoffrey Chaucer, London, 1400; George il, reigned 1727-60. London, 1760; Sir Charles Halle, pianis-and conductor, Manchester, 1895; Frank Norris, novelist, San Francisco, 1912; Frederick William Polificalided Baron Courtauld officiated. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Polly Clegg, Melissa Lilley, Tamara Dupree, Sam William Rolfe, self-styled Baron Sangster, Miles de Roeper and Kate Sangster, Mr Adam Corvo, novelist. Venice, 1913; Mary McCarthy, novelist, 1984. Sangster was best man.
A reception was held at the
Hyatt Carlton Tower hotel and The Battle of Agincourt, 1415. The Battle of Balaclava, Crimea, 1854. he honeymoon will be spent

> Mr L.G. Braunizer and Miles K.C.B. Pratt

The marriage took place on Saturday, October 20, 1990, at All Saints' Church, Chigwell Row, of Mr Leonhard Braunizer, younger son of Dr and Mrs A.O. Braunizer, of Alphach, Austria, and Painswick, Gloucestershire, and Miss Kate Pratt, only daughter of Mr and Mrs R.J. Pratt, of Sheepcotes, Chigwell Row, Essex. The Rev Victor Brown

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Samantha Oakden and Miss Caroline Willcocks. Lieutenant Colonel Nigel Thursby was best man. A reception was held at the dome of the bride

Mr C.W.J. Keppel The marriage took place on Saturday, October 20, in Stuttgart Reidenberg, Germany, beween Mr Crispian Keppel and Miss Tina Ammann.

Carmen's Company

The following have been installed officers of the Carmen's Company for the ensuing year: Master. Sir Robert Reid: Sertifor Warden, Mr E.R Britt: Jumor War den, Mr K.E. Parrol

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Dinners

Law Society Mr Anthony Holland, President

of the Law Society, accompa-nied by Mrs Holland, was host

at a dinner held last night at 60

Carey Street. The guests

Str Dond and Lady Napley, Vice-Admiral Str Robert and Lady Gerken, Major General and Mrs. Im Baxler. Mi and Mrs. A.K. Empoin and Mr and Mrs. G.N., Streeter.

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stopped short of the recording

college tour left her exhausted.

sissippi Fred McDowell at the

Centenary Blues Festival in

Memphis was a happier affair.

An appearance in 1969 on

Corporation of London
The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester attended a bonquet held last night in Guildhall after the Lord Mayor and Corpora-tion of London presented an address of welcome to the President of the Italy to mark his visit to the City of London, The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the Sheriffs and their ladies

crived the guests. Among those present were:

Omero de Ganust De Michelé, Senatore Claudio Vitalone, Ambasador Servio Bertinoter. Ambasador Brune Britat, the linkan Ambasador Brune Britat, the linkan Ambasador Franco Ferretti, Ambasador Guesepe Battorel. Ambasador Guesepe Battorel. Ambasador Alesathirio Vacioto. General Carlo Jean. Sprore Ludou to Ortoma, the French Ambasador and Verontesse Luc de La Barre de hameuit. the South African Ambasador and Verontesse Luc de La Barre de hameuit. the South African Ambasador and Nerstillen. The Moror and Ambasador and Resident of the Sala and Ambasador of Commercial and Mrt. Rithanout. The Ambasador of Keland, the Ambasador of Brattland Gendor French de Lina Gendora Feeth de Lina de Sentora Feeth de Lina de Sentora Feeth de Lina Counters of Herrewood, the Lord and Lady Somerleyion. Lord and Lady Somerleyion. Lord and Lady Borre of Claubon, Lord and Lady Darre of Ganton, Lord and Lady Forte, Lord al John of Feether, Lord and Lady Forte, Lord al John of Feether, Lord and Lady Forte, Lord al John of Feether, Lord and Lady Forte, Lord al John of Feether, Lord and Lady Forte, Lord al John of Feether, Lord and Lady Forte, Lord al John of Feether, Lord and Lady Forte, Lord al John of Feether, Lord and Lady Forte, Lord al John of Feether, Lord and Lady Forte, Lord al John of Feether, Lady Thorneycrott, the Servicery of State for Northern of Servicery of Servicery

ceived the guests. Among those

Mr David Waddington, QC. Secretary of State for the Home Department, was the principal

Hertford Society

Luncheons

The Prime Minister was host at a luncheon held yesterday at 10 Downing Street in honour of the President of Italy. The other

Prime Minister

President of Italy. The other guests were guests were good of the property of and Lady Denham, the Apoctolik Pro-Numco, the Earl and Counters of Harrwood, the Bishop of Si Edmundhibury and Issynkits and hers prints. Land Carripollon, C-1, and Lady Carripollon, C-1, and Lady Carripollon, Lord and Carly Interview, Lord and Lady Servine of Ladyset, Lord and Lady Tornia, the Hon Rocco and Mrs. Forks, the Res. Dr. Owen Chadwick, Old, and Mrs. Chadwick, Professor Attilio Maieri and Conterna Francesca Masery Prorio, Mr and Mrs. Spoasiland de Ferranti, Mr Angus Grossari, Mr David Alaby, Mip., and Mrs. Actuby. Miss. Parcical Research, Mrs. Parcical Research, Mr

Earrice, Wing Communder David Walter and Mr and Mrs Charles

New Zenland-UK Chamber of Commerce and Industry
The High Commissioner for
New Zealand attended the annual luncheon of the New Zealand-United Kingdom Chamber of Commerce and Industry held yesterday at the Selfridge Hotel. The Hon Timo-thy Sainsbury. Minister for Trade at the Department of Trade and Industry, was the guest speaker and the guests were received by Lord Denman, president, and Mr Neville

Jones, chairman.

Lauchtime Coppment Club Mr Adrian Mezzetti. Chairman of the Lunchtume Comment Club, presided at a luncheon held yesterday at the New Connaught Rooms. Mr Mike Whitlam, Director of the Royal National Institute for the Dest. was the guest speaker.

Hertford Society held last night at Westminster School to mark the 250th anniversary of the granting of a Royal Charter to Hernford College, Oxford, Mr

1.W. Preston presided and Jude

1912 Club Mr Peter Rost, MP. Vicechairman of the 1912 Club, presided at a dinner held last night a the House of Commons.
Mr Roger Breavington also
spoke and the guest of honour
was Mr Peter Bottomley, MP. Lord Jenkin of Roding, the newly-elected president, was among others present. Royal Institution of Chartered

Sir Idris Pearce, President of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, was host at a dinner held last night at 12 Great George Street in honour of Mr Timothy Renton, Government Chief Whip.

Scriveners' Company Mr R.S. Kinsey of Kinsey. Master of the Seriveners' ('om pany, presided at the annual ladies' diamer held last night at Skinners' Hall. Archbishop Bruno Heim. Lord and Lady Hacking, Sir Bernard Braine, MP, and the Master of the Actuaries' Company were among the guests.

Scottish Financial Enterprise Scottish Financial Enterprise (SFE), held its annual London dinner on Wednesday evening at 30 Pavilion Road, London SW1. Sir Bob Reid, Chairman of British Rail was the principal guest at the dinner, which was attended by leading figures from the business. financial and pulitical workls.

Lecture

Nehru Memoriai Lecture.

Shri Nani A. Palkhivala, former Indian Ambassador to the United States of America, will give the 14th Nehru Memorial Lecture on "Forty-three years of Indian Independence: A Re-view on Wednesday, Novemher 7, 1990, at 6pm, in the Winstanley Lecture Hall Trinity College, Cambridge, The Lecture is open to all.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P. Beverley
Miss V. Bresches
The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mrs Peggy Beverley and the late Mr John Beverley, of Southport, and Victoria, only daughter of Sir Nigel and Lady Broackes, of Checkendon Court, Oxfordshire.

Mr N.H. Chuplin and Miss R.M. Galletley

The engagement is announced between Nicholas Hilbery, youngest sen of Mr and Mrs Malcolm Chaplin, of Great Warley, Essex, and Ruth Mary, only daughter of Mr and Mrs John Calletley, of Barlaston, Staffinglehire. Staffordshire.

Mr A.S. Dickens and Mins E.P. Webb

The engagement is announced between Andrew. only son of Mr and Mrs Stephen Dickens, Cowbridge, South Glamorgan, and Petra, youngest daughter of Mrs Diana and the late Norman Webb, Pencoed, Mid Giamorgan.

Mr A.J. Foley and Minn A. Sidoli

The engagement is announced between Anthony, elder son of Mr and Mrs M. Folcy, of Deptford, London, and Alessandra, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Sidoli, of Highgate.

Mr J.P. Murgatroyd and Miss S.K. Jourdan

The engagement is announced between James, son of Mr Alai Murgatroyd, of Singapore, and Mrs Margaret Cowell, of Crowell, Oxfordshire, and Samantha, daughter of Mr and Mrs Martin Jourdan, of Wapping, Long Crendon, Buckinghamshire, The marriage will take place in Long Crendon, on Saturday, June 1, 1991.

Mr C.M. Peake

and Miss A. Gibson The engagement is announced between Christopher Miles, son of Mr and Mrs John Peake, of Stibbington, Peterborough, and Ann. daughter of the late Mr Thomas Gibson and of Mrs Eveline Gibson, of Wrexham.

and Miss L.H. Bennett

The engagement is announced between Christopher John. eldest son of Mr and Mrs Leslic Rebindaine, of St Mary, Jersey, and Lactitia Helen, eldest daughter of Mr Howard Bennett, of Calne, Wikshire, and Mrs John Newman,

of Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland,

and Miss G. Phillips The engagement is announced between Gregory, younger son of Mr and Mrs Teody Schneider, of Johannesburg, South Africa, and Gabbi, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Darry Bhillies of Balers via London

Mr S.G.D. Walker and Miss M.J.C. Rawstorne The engagement is announced between Simon, elder son of Mr and Mrs Michael Walker, Shanwell House, Kinross-shire, and Corinne, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Bernard Rawstome, of Grand Baie. Mauritius. •

Mr J.G. D'A. Wickham and Miss F.A. Baird-Murray The engagement is announced between James, son of Mr David Wickham, of Trowell Farm, Chapstable, Somerset, and the late Mrs Adele Wickham, and Fiona, daughter of Captain and Mrs Neil Baird-Murray, of Kynaston, Shropshire,

School news

Westminster Cathedral Choir School

The annual mass for Choristers past and present, celebrated by the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster, will take place in the cathedral at 5.30pm on Wednesday, December 19, All former choristers wishing to attend both the Mass and the reception afterwards are asked

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to contact the Secretary of the Old Choristers' Association. The next Voice Trials for new choristers will take place on Saturday. November 24. The Headmaster would be delighted to provide further dekils to interested parents.

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Alemander Sandy Bernatt, mother of Wendy, Pat and June and devoted grandmother, Private cremation was held at Satisbury on October 24th. GADE - On October 19th 1990, unexpectedly and suddenly. Dr Joseph A. Cade, Funeral service, Catholic church of Our Lady and St. John. Goring-On-Thames, 12 AM. Thursday October 28th. OCT 25

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In 1808 Covent Garden Theatre was

burnt to the ground. A new one opened in September 1809 managed by John Philip Kemble, who promptly increased the price of seats. The result were the O.P. (old prices) riots which disturbed every perfor mance for many weeks. The riuters eventually obtained cheaper seating.
Whether the theatre's "business rate" was reduced is not recorded.

COVENT-GARDEN THEATRE

Last night presented a melancholy omen to the Proprietors, as to the probable consequences of the line of conduct they have adopted. On the rising of the curtain the house appeared almost deserted, and at half-price one half of the pit was not filled. Even the few who appeared were koud and unanimous in their disapprobation, which rose as usual to its utmost height on the appearance of Mr Charles Kemble. We noticed very few placards, the exhibition of which was rather dangerous, on account of the deserted very few placards. state of the pit. The thinness of the pit last night.

is perhaps to be accounted for by the dreadful accounts of the concussions which nightly shake that part of the house. It was with some difficulty that the upmar could be kept up; but this aruse from the weakness of the oppositionists in numbers and not inlungs. The pit did their best, and seemed to think that "the fewer men. the greater share of homeur." they supported their spirits during the tethous pantomime of Oscar and Mukana, which was last night repeated, by singing "God save the King." "Rule Britannia." and "Hearts of Oak." and dwelt upon the following passages with peculiar For Britain never will be shown

To fight and to compare and manner.
To fight and to compare again and again.
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the conclusion of the nantomime, the pit staying only to give three grouns for Mr. Kemble, three cheers for the "Old Prices," and to sing the choruses of "God save the King," and "Rule Britannia" once more. TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

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Genetics will boost the seed industry

PLANTS have sex, which is a day," says Dr David Baulnuisance for the multi-mil- combe, of the John Innes lion-dollar industry that uses Institute in Norwich. "Every hybrid seed. Today's Nature help farmers and nurseries to casual look at any seed cat-

Professor Robert Goldberg are sold as hybrids. and his associates at the University of California, Los Angeles, and colleagues at Plant Genetic Systems NV of Ghent, Belgium, have created genetically engineered, or "transgenic", strains of tobacco and oilseed rape that fail to develop pollen grains, the male sex cells, but are otherwise normal.

They are thus ideal for plant breeders, who must ensure that F1 hybrid seed comes from established parental lines, not from self or random pollination. Farmers who buy they are getting.

FI hybrids are bred from two pure parental strains. The genetic characteristics of each parental strain are known well in advance, but hybrids have the advantage that they are hardier and more resistant to disease than either parent. This explains the importance of hybrid stock.

"Hybridisation is an enormously important component

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But ensuring that plants are not self-ferule can be a labourintensive process, sometimes involving the removal of male sex organs from thousands of plants by hand, a source of pocket money for American schoolchildren.

The secret of the new research lies in the anther, the male plant sex organ that produces polien. Genes, whether in plants or animals, are made of the nucleic acid DNA, and the information they contain is translated into a protein. Between DNA and protein is an intermediate step in which the genetic information in DNA is conveyed to the cell's protein-manufacturing machinery encoded in another

RNA (mRNA). Genes concerned with making pollen are expressed in the anthers only, so that pollen-specific mRNA will be found in anther tissue, and no

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Nuclear safety puzzle

British theories on the spread of leukaemia are

being questioned by a new French study,

Nigel Hawkes reports

onfusion over how safe it is to live in the neighbourhood of a nuclear power plant has been compounded by the results of a new study in France. The study's authors have failed to find any evidence of increased cancer incidence in people living close to six nuclear plants, which seems to contradict evidence in Britain, where above-average "clusters" of childhood leukaemia have been found around both the Sellafield and Dounteay

The French results, reported in today's Nature magazine, follow a similar failure to find any increased risk of cancer around United States nuclear installations. Although the methodology of the American study has been criticised, no similar com-plaint can be directed at the French study, and its publication is bound to focus more attention on alternative explanations for the mystery of the leukaemia clusters.

The issue is of more than academic interest because the latest findings could have implications for the parents of children such as Gemma D'Arty, a six-year-old who died of leukaemia last month. Her father has worked at Sellafield since 1977 and her case is one of three against British Nuclear Fuels, aimed at establishing negligence, winning compensation and setting a legal precedent, which would help other alleged victims of radiation-induced leukaemia. The French and American studies seem certain to form part of the evidence when the test cases come to court within the next 18 months.

Catherine Hill and Agnes La-planche, of the Institute Gustave Roussy at Villejuif, have studied deaths from leukaemia around sites that have been in operation since 1975 or before, to allow a minimum followup of ten years for cancer mortality. They found 58 leukaemia deaths around the six sites, and 62 around control sites chosen to be similar in all ways, apart from proximity to a nuclear installation. The conclusion is that living next to a nuclear station does not increase the risk of dying of leukaemia.

month ago after a nationwide study in America, which looked at 62 nuclear facilities, comparing deaths in the counties close to them with a similar set of counties a large distance away. John Boice, the head of the US National Cancer Institute's radiation . four times higher than expected; for the second half, no increase was

Sellafield: loukaemia clusters have been found nearby, but new studies question their significance

There are several possible explanations for the discrepancies between the different sets of data. The most obvious, suggested by the French authors, is that radioactive-contamination levels were higher around Scilafield and Dounreay than around the French plants.

The same explanation has been advanced to explain the Pilgrim statistics. In the mid-1970s, higher-

The disease may even be transmitted by an infective agent

than-normal releases of radioactivity may have intiated cancers that showed in the statistics between 1979 and 1983. Later, the releases came under better control, possibly explaining why no excess cancers were found between 1983 and 1986.

An alternative is to assume that the excess leukaemias are real but have. nothing to do with radiation exposure. The most persuasive argument hascome from Leo Rinlen, of the Cancer

Research Campaign's epidemiology unit at Edinburgh university. He has found a significant difference in leukaemia incidence in two types of new settlement pioneered by Britain in the postwar years. The reral new towns drew their population from variety of different background while the overspill new towns were made up of people moved en masse

from the cities in the aftermath of war. Dr Kinlen and colleagues found childhood leukaemias higher in the rural than in the overspill new towns. He speculates that the disease may be transmitted by an infective agent, as some animal leukaemias are. If so, a large influx of outsiders into a rural area, carrying an infection to which the local population has no immunity, could cause a temporary spurt. The movement of a homogenous population to an overspill town would not have the same effect.

Sellafield and Dounreay were, in effect, rural new towns established after the war. If Dr Kinlen is right, the lenkaemia clusters found in both are the result not of radiation but of population movements and a so far unidentified infective agent. As the data proliferate without converging. more and more people are starting to take the Kiplett hypothesis seriously.

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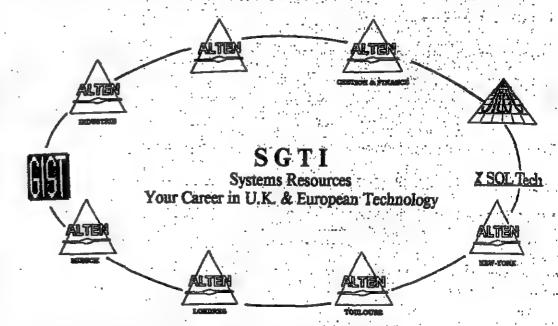
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American study was criticised because

the death statistics came from whole counties, which could be too large to

pick up the very small increases noted in the areas immediately around

The French study is not open to the same objections. In the Roussy study, very small areas were consid-

cred, and the methodology was simi-

lar to that used in Britain. The French

found a higher-than-expected in-

cidence of another cancer, Hodgkin's

disease, around the sites studied. They noted 12 deaths from this

uncommon cancer, twice the national

average, but the numbers were too small to know whether the finding

To complicate the picture further, one study in America has found British-style clusters. The Massachu-

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The headsets are to be supplied to the British Army's fleet of Warrior combat vehicles, some of which form part of the 7th Armoured Brigade in the Gulf. The headsets have been developed by researchers at Racal Acousthe company claims the sys-tem, active noise reduction (ANR), will be the first of its kind to enter service with an army anywhere in the world.

Low frequency sounds in combat vehicles can often climb beyond 90 decibels. exceeding Britain's Health and Safety Executive's safety

At the heart of the integrated headsets are tipy microphones sensitive to loud, lowfrequency sounds. Conventional headsets or

car protectors are good at



A headset that takes the new rumble-free system

whistling sounds, but do absolutely nothing for low-fre-quency noise," Ken Welch, the marketing manager of Recei, says.

On detecting rumbling noises of up to 130 decibels, the microphones pass a copycat signal to another part of the system, which generates "an anti-pliase signal that is driven back into the ear." The headsets also have voice-ac-tivated switches for hands-free Operation.

The company believes the £1 million contract with the defence ministry could lead to applications of the system in aviation, ship's engine rooms and industrial environments.

The next stage is to use a microscope that can provide a print-out of whether matching colours come from not only the same batch of dye THE PATH OF MODERN The fibres are then the tape and acetate eur, surface f The final stage uses infra red radiation to provide a "fingerprint" print out of the fibres that can reveal Each short is examined common link with a low-

Scientists join free market

pollution or food contamina tion may be unmasked in future by the forensic science methods employed usually to trap marderers.

arsonists, forgers and burglars.
From next year, and for a price,
commercial organisations and individuals will be able to seek help from the experts at the science service laboratories of the Home Office. Previously reserved for police work. the service will become an independent agency which, in theory, could even analyse the evidence at the heart of a civil dispute, such as an accusation of adulterous behaviour.

While recent excitement has focused on the breakthrough in genetic finger-printing to identify individuals guilty of assault or rape, forensic scientists have refined other means to establish the provenance of thousands of items eathered in the search for clues to the perpetrator of a crime.

Star-shaped microscopic hairs that grow on the underside of ivy leaves were among the tell-tale traces that last year belped to convict Trevor Tuck of murdering a nine-year-old child. Identification of the tiny plant filaments mingled with synthetic fibres provided crucial scientific evidence to link the accused with the exerce of the crime.

As a prelude to becoming an agency, researchers at the Huntingdon laboratory of the forensic science service have demonstrated some of its latest developments for scrutinising objects from firearms and microscopic fragForensic experts are now able to turn their talents for crime detection to the unmasking of

industrial criminals. Pearce Wright explains

ments of paint and glass, such as car hairs, fibres and particles to protect headlight bulbs, to barely visible them from contamination. A preliminary comparison of scores of fibres from both sets of garments

fingerprints and footprints. Fibre analysis provides an increas-ing proportion of the scientific detective work, according to Dr Nicholas Prance, the forensic services manager at Huntingdon. In cases of assault, two sets of clothes are frequently subjected to forensic tests, one from the victim and one from the suspect. The garments are studied in separate laboratories, where cleanliness is allimportant. Cross-contamination is as much the enemy of the ferensic scientist as cross-infection is for the surgeon because the most important fibres usually between only 2mm and iOmm long.

Typical apparel collected for analysis could include a pair of jeans or a iumper. To collect surface debris, a parment is laid on a table top. Simple techniques have been devised for removing biological stains, which may be visible only under a strong light or with a magnifying glass.
Suspect extraneous fibres and parti-

cles are removed by covering the garment with strips of transparent adhesive tape, special-purpose tape with low or high stickiness is used, depending on the type of material. The tapes are pecied off and stuck to transparent plastic sheets, sandwiching the polyamide. More detailed confirma-tion comes from the next two advanced types of microscope.

The first, known as a microspectrophotometer, is an extraordinarily sensitive device that can make an accurate cross-check of the precise colour characteristics given to a synthetic fibre from the dyes with which it was

Variations between batches of dves from hour to hour in the manufacturing process are invisible to the customer, but meat and drink to forensic science. The analyser can focus a beam of light on to a speck of material as small as 10 microns by 50 microns to determine its colour

The latest microscope used for analysing synthetic fibres examines what happens when a beam of infrared radiation is shope through the material A "fingerprint" of the fibre is produced that reveals intimate differences between the molecules of the same types of synthetic fibre.

During the Tuck murder investiga-

tion, work by the forensic science laboratory at Chepstow involved tests on wet and freshly-washed clothing taken from the suspect's house. Forensic scientists also examined bloodsmined scissors from which fibres from the victims clothing were identified. The same type of fibres were also recovered from the suspect's newly washed clothing.
In addition, the debris from the

clothes included star-shaped hairs identical to the type growing on ivy leaves concealing the body.

cheap UK staff **JOBSCENE**

Americans chase

AMERICAN companies are taking advantage of the fall in demand for information technology staff in Britain, offering hope in a quiet market. want to cream off the best
Many British recruitment from Britain and are after agencies are offering contract and permanent positions in the United States, along with relocation benefits such as

ing on circumstances. ample, is recruiting more than can join the company perma 50 staff for various American nently. locations, from New York to Miami, while another agency, VNG Nationwide, described the US embassy in London.
its advertised list of 15 US VNG Nationwide. vacancies as a "small sub-set of those on offer" and at-

tracted more than 170 ap-

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vertisement. Julia Hide, the international large number of people with recruitment manager for experience of IBM, DEC and, Computer People, says: "Many Brit-ish staff are keen to

attract staff

from Britain

move cities'

relocate because of the jobs situation here. The market is not so flat in the US and there is always a demand for skilled IT staff."

Companies are seeking mostly those with experience of Unix- Johnston, of the agency's based systems. Tandem as international support depart-well as IBM, while another ment, says. "This group is agency has positions for Uni-attracted by the opportunity sys experience. Traditionally, to travel and work in a new

American companies have looked abroad only for those with experience of IBM mainframes. Computer People is interviewing people for 20 positions that require experience of Tandem systems, and a New York company is looking for 20 Unix/C staff.

Ms Hide says that salaries vary, but are in line with American rates and can give a high standard of living com-pared with British. The exchange rate of nearly \$2 to the pound makes the option less attractive to those needing to service high mortgages at

home through a US salary. Chad Stolper, a director of Prescott Computers, says: "Salaries are about \$35,000 (£18,000) to \$55,000 (£28,350) and, although they are less than the equivalent paid to somebody from the US, they provide a good standard of living. "Companies are usually looking for staff with a

degree and about eight

years' IT experience. They good bargains compared with what they would pay in the US

for similar skills." Mr Stolper says the assign-ments, mostly for IBM skills, flights, visas and initial ments, mostly for IBM skills, accommodation, although the are for an initial 18 months, but companies are prepared to apply for residency after this Computer People, for ex- period so that the contractor

It takes about three months to gain a working visa from VNG Nationwide, of Cheshire, recently formed an alliance with a US software house in Detroit, Michigan, to help place contracts for British staff. The agency is seeking a

in particular. Unisys, for positions mostly in the 'It is easier to mid-US.

"We are focusing on the three to six-month contract than to get an to attract the American to young, mobile consome assignments are for a year or longer." Andy

environment, while earning lots of money, and often they do not usually have high mortgages or family commit-

ments back in the UK". Apart from the possibility of being able to buy expertise cheaper in Britain than at home, some US companies have difficulty finding enough skilled staff within the US because many Americans are reluctant to relocate.

Some say that it can be easier to attract staff from Britain than to convince an American to move from one city to another.

The downturn in the US economy, unlike that in Britain, has had little effect on IT staff recruitment. Agencies believe this is because of the shortage of skilled staff. The recent increase in vacancies is also caused by the expansion of British agencies abroad to compensate for the decline of jobs in the UK.

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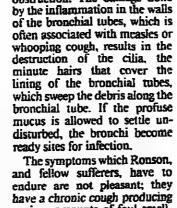
ह्य owever reprehensible the reporting of Gerald Ronson's incarceration at Ford prison, it was, perhaps, naive to expect that the public. which has repeatedly been told that the only punishment that should be exacted by a prison sentence should be the loss of liberty, would not be surprised when it found out that this loss of liberty did not always extend to a prisoner's freedom to visit his doctor twice in the same day many miles away in London, with a family lunch between

consultations. Those who feared that Mr Ronson might be suffering from an immediate, life-threatening condition, would have been relieved to read in Gail Ropson's letter to The Times on Tuesday that her husband has bronchiectasis, a chronic chest disease in which the bronchi, the small tubes leading to the lung tissue, become blocked and distended with thick secretions so that they and the lung tissue become



infected and later fibrosed. After several attacks, the bronchial tubes become permanently dilated to form either saccular, cylindrical, or varicose small bags of pus. The normally smooth lung tissue they supply starts to resemble Gruyère cheese, with the holes filled with mucus, pus and, if a small vessel has been eroded, blood.

Occasionally, patients are born with bronchiectasis due to congenital disease, or the lung fails to expand after birth. More usually, the disease is acquired in childhood and follows undertreated pneumonia, although



age after a neglected attack of

oneumonia or from bronchial

obstruction. The damage done

endure are not pleasant; they have a chronic cough producing copious amounts of foul smelling sputum, often flecked with blood. Characteristically, the cough is worse in the early mornings, and again in the evenings, just when he and his new-found colleagues at Ford will be hoping to settle down to watch television. During the day, while he would be busy swabbing down the prison dining room, the cough would not be so bad.

Diagnosis of bronchiectasis is confirmed by an x-ray procedure which, by using an iodine preparation, outlines the pattern of the bronchial tree. In a few cases, when the disease is localised in a small part of the iung, surgery can be used to remove the damaged area. Other patients require a well-planned antibiotic regimen, together with exercises to help drain the lungs.

City colleagues and investors can be reassured that, although more than a third of patients once died within ten years of onset, modern antibiotic therapy means that Mr Ronson can expect a normal life span.



Playing for time? String players such as the Korean violinist Kyung-Wha. Chung are said to be vulnerable to upper limb disorder

Taking the work strain

chicken plucker, the insurance clerk, and the pianist pounding out a musical accompaniment for the keep fit class? The answer is repetitive strain injury (RSI).

Anyone who repeatedly per-forms awkward hand movements can be affected by RSL Like myalgic encephalomyelitis (ME), it is a multi-symptom disorder which some experts feel does not exist at all - except in the mind of the sufferer. Others say that, like ME, it is a lingering, often misdiagnosed condition which causes untold pain and misery. Despite the continuing confusion over what RSI actually is, the Health and Safety Executive will today issue guidance to employers on how it can be avoided.

At the same time, the executive is changing the name on the grounds that the disorder does not always result from repetition, or from strain, and is not always a visible injury. The new name is work related upper limb disorder (WRULD, or ULD for short).

The executive's guidance will have quasi-legal status - employ-ers are not obliged to follow it, but failure to do so is likely to be cited in cases brought by employees who claim that work has damaged their health. So far all such claims have been settled out of court. well publicised settlements in the region of £30,000 to £40,000, figures of between £2,000 and £5,000 are more common.

The most contentious, and probably the best publicised, manifestations of WRULD affect those who operate computer terminals, and especially journalists, who are either praised for having brought this pernicious condition to the public attention, or lambasted for having allowed their own aches and pains

While confusion reigns about the causes of repetitive strain injury, there is now official advice on how to avoid it. Ann Kent reports

to destroy their objectivity.

Brian Pearce belongs to the second camp, Mr Pearce is a director of the Human Sciences and Advanced Technology Research Institute at the University of Loughborough, which offers a consultancy service to companies having difficulties with new technology. He says the RSI label is. misused to cover a rag-bag of problems including some genuine. work injuries, some passing aches and pains, and simple latigue. "Work is tiring, but I would make a major distinction between white and blue-collar repetitive strain injury. The chicken plucker does not have the same condition as the journalist at a computer terminal, and the issue has been muddled by

mixing the two." According to Mr Pearce, the genuine problems associated with the use of computers are easily remedied with ergonomic changes such as slightly lowering the height of the desk holding the terminal. and improving the seating of the operators. "But ergonomic faults" operators. "But ergonomic faults" plain of lingering limb disorders on their own do not cause RSI may have psychological problems problems in offices. You can have which prolong their symptoms a mini epidemic in one building.

However, Dr. Richard Pearson, while in another, which is just as badly designed, no one is ill at all."

The big difference lies in what he calls the psychosocial factors. "You always get more problems when people are disillusioned, depressed or bored with their work, or when they feel that the management doesn't care about them. I don't think that office workers who complain of RSI are frauds or malingerers, but unhave always had but didn't bother to report are now being labelled as

RSL As a result we have a lot of very worried people, who think they are at the start of a crippling

disease process.

Certainly RSI — under any name — causes problems for the medical profession. Mr Frank Burke, consultant hand surgeon at Derbyshire Royal Infirmary, administrative and the consultant and surgeon at Derbyshire Royal Infirmary, administrative and the consultant an mits. This is an ill-understood area. It could be that there is a new clinical condition out there which

we haven't yet diagnosed, but it is hard to see how it can suddenly cause this epidemic of complaints.

"Doctors are often asked by unions or idsurance companies to determine whether a patient has a clinical disease. This is very difficult in cases like these, where there is no tenderness, no local swelling and nothing to suggest what is causing the symptoms." Some of Mr Burke's patients.—

more commonly those in bluecollar jobs - do appear to have work-related injuries which, he says, tend to resolve in time. But he believes that some who com-

consultant physician who runs the Musicians and Keyboard Clinic in London, denies that RSI is psychosomatic or caused by disillusionment at work. He points out that his patients are nighly motivated to continue working. "In orchestras the string section is most likely to develop problems because they tend to play all the time. Planists who accompany keep fit classes also seem to develop more problems.

"If sufferers from these disorders show psychological problems, that

is hardly surprising in view of the continuous pain, the threat to their employment, income and status, and their inability to carry

out everyday activities."

Dr Pearson says that most patients can return to normal existence, although it may take three to six months of careful" physiotherapy. "Unfortnnately it is often impossible to obtain this kind of skilled help within the NHS. For that reason, it is essential that employers either carry insurance to pay for this treatment, or employ an appro-priately trained physiotherapist." Ron Mulelly, the chairman of the RSI Association, says such

understanding on the part of a doctor is rare. "We are tecribly worned about the utter failure of the medical profession to come to terms with RSL" he says. "Our members complain that their condition is dismissed as utivial, or they are accused of hysteria."

Dr Colin Mackay, a psychologist who formulated the HSE's guidwho formulated the FISE'S guid-ance on upper limb disorders, Says:
"Although we are talking about a range of different conditions, there are a number of important com-mon factors. Posture of the body, and particularly the posture of the arm and the grip used by the hand, all seem to be important."

Dr Mackay agrees that many upper limb disorders have a psychological content. Thresholds of pain and discomfort vary enormously according to how you feel about your boss, and we know manifestations of stress."

However, he adds: "An enormous amount of occupational iff. health is related to musculo-skeletal problems which can be avoided by changing conditions in the workplace. Whatever the drawbacks of our guidance, it is aimed at helping avoid this horrible waste of people, the illness and the general aggravation which these problems cause."

rally. Just beforehand I'll eat a lot,"

of pasta and during it I'll stick to

light bites, anything with high carbohydrates, sandwiches, Mars

bars, hamburgers, crisps: junk

At large with Derek Nimmo

ome years ago, Derek Nimmo became a national character as the thin, frail. hesitant curate in Ail Gas and Gaiters. Since then, with the help of the chef at the Garrick Club, his figure has blossomed. The transition was not achieved without cost; four years ago, Mr Nimmo needed a coronary bypass. This week he was a guest of nonour at Mosimanns, the London restaurant run by the chef Anton Mosimann. Mr Mosimann served a meal which he hoped might increase public awareness of the link between cholesterol levels and heart disease and demonstrate that lowcholesterol foods need not be unsophisticated or tasteless.

Changing the diet can influence total blood cholesterol by about 20 to 30 per cent. The rest of it is dependent on other factors; everybody would, therefore, be well advised to find out their own cholesterol levels so



that they can determine what action, if any, is needed. About one in 500 people is

born with a particularly serious form of raised cholesterol, Familial hypercholesterolaemia (FH). The raised cholesterol here is due mainly to an increase in an accumulation of low-density lipoprotein, the more dangerous faction of the total serum choles-terol. Often the diagnosis of FH

is made after other relatives have had heart attacks. Other cases can be revealed by the white line which appears at an early age around the iris, or the little flecks of fat zanthalesma which look like specks of butter buried in the skin around the eyes. Others have swellings on the backs of tendons. Patients with FH need a doctor's pills as well as Mr Mosimann's cooking.

Short, chilly outlook

arly risers who listen to Farming Today on BBC radio would have heard on Monday that colder days lie ahead. Notwithstanding the chill in the atmosphere, London seems to have as many miniskined women as ever. The lessons learnt last time the mini skirt was fashionable have been disregarded and perniosis

Perniosis is the physiological reaction of the exposed limbs to cold. The skin of the thigh is particularly vulnerable, sometimes becoming totally mortled, condition known as Cutis Marmorata. These skin changes are secondary to an increase in the thickness of the layer of the subcutaneous fat. The thicker layer of fat insulates the deeper tissues of the leg, results in a cooler skin and accounts for the changes in its colour. Unfortunately, the slowing of the circulation renders the skin liable to



minor infections, spots and

boils. Not only doctors see the troubles wrought by exposing the body to the cold. Farmers, too, have their troubles; it is becoming increasingly common to allow pigs to enjoy the pleasures of being reared free-range and, unfortunately, pigs also develop perniosis with its thick subcutaneous layer of fat and unhealthy skin, changes the butcher does not always welcome.

I'VE BEEN rallying for 11 years; !

started off at minor club level and

progressed to international level

abroad and at home. The peak is the Lombard RAC, which I've

The correct name for my dis-

ability is Holt-Oram syndrome, a

genetic disability which makes me

look as though I'd been affected by

thalidomide. My arms are short — a little below elbow length — and

I've only got three fingers on each hand. I can't tie a tie, but then I

don't wear one. But that's about

The reason I started out rallying

the only thing I can't do.

completed four times.

BREATHING SPACE: KEN RIDLEY

practice and working with Carole I'm sure I'll get there. I'm finishing at least 15 per cent to 20 per cent higher in the field than

I used to suffer from great lapses in concentration. Before an event I'd be really hyped up. I'd wake up in the morning of an event feeling sick, and I'd be snappy at home. Now all that has passed. I'm much more confident about my ability. Rallying is a difficult sport to practise. It's not like kicking a ball

against a wall or swinging a club was to be the same as everyone else. I'm sports daft - I love soccer on a golf course; you've got to go and play pool, squash and snooker out in a car to a piece of forest but when I was playing against somebody I didn't know if they were giving 100 per cent against me. In rallying it's me against the which you hire from the Forestry Commission, which is expensive. We've used various visualisation techniques to run through clock, and nobody can make any either a well-known stage, or an imaginary piece of forest. I watch

myself driving the car and picking the lines out that I should be on. I visualise a corner coming up, and the correct route I would take through it. It takes about



through it bit by bit, visualising every detail ing the gears. Your heartbeat goes up as if you're really driving and you may even come out in perspira-

ten minutes.

You just sit in

the quiet and go

know why it seems so real, but I've done it time and again. Mental training is like physical training: you must practise,

Relaxation is another technique. Sometimes during a rally you're able to snatch five minutes when you're just sitting in the car. You imagine yourself going downstairs into your favourite room, full of furniture and pictures you like and an "energy machine". Some of these rallies are really long - the Lombard RAC next month will take four days, and you're driving from four in the morning until ten that evening. The most we'd stop for is about 20 minutes, so obviously you're going to feel a bit jaded. And to drive a car at speed over difficult

I imagine the energy machine to look like a radiator with a handle on top, and if you put your hand on it you feel a load of energy

terrain takes it out of you.

which fills you up. Don't ask me how, but it works. I tried it for the first time a couple of years ago, when one of the drivers had been taking quite a bit of time off me. We had a ten minute break and I tried the technique. The next stage I really turned up the wick and we beat her by about two minutes which is a lot in rallying.

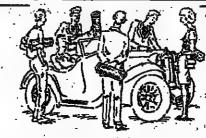
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allowances. I'm mega-competitive. I hate to be beaten At first I was a little naïve. I was so arrogant I would not have any help at all and I was very uncomfortable in the car. I had to sit forward. But all racing drivers have their seats made to suit them. Mine is almost upright and I have allowed myself a three-inch extension on the gear stick. But there are no handles on the

foot controls. A couple of vears ago I started to feel there must be something other than driving skill that makes you drive well one day and poorly the next. Then I read about Carole Seheuit's sports psychology work with Mark Rowland, the steeplechase jockey. I thought: "This is for me.

wheel or special

After I'd seen Carole I finished third in the 1988 British Open Championship; before, I was nowhere. I'm so much more confident of my ability. I still don't think that I'm driving to 100 per cent of my ability, but through

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he exhibition «In the Shadow of Vesuvius», sponsored by IRI, was originally held in Naples between May and July this year and was highly acclaimed. The exhibition is now in London, and this is certainly no coincidence.

The original exhibition focused on the connection between Naples and the many foreign artists who visited the city, many of whom were British. Naples, the capital of the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies, was renowned for encouraging the spreading and exchange of culture across its borders, as a great European capital should do.

IRI, the largest conglomerate in Italy, has been operating in Naples for a long time in a wide range of activities - electronics, information technology, shipbuilding, steelworks, telecommunications, transport. The sponsorship by the IRI Group of both the Naples and London exhibitions testifyes on one hand, the desire to preserve the history of this great city and, on the other, an international commitment, made even more timely by the fast approaching European Single Market.

The very theme of the exhibition-great «views» of the city and bay - involves insight into the relationship between man and nature, city and country, man and history, great architecture and back alleyways, all of which are part and parcel of today's new-found love of «the land».

Naples in the 18th century, and especially at the turn of that century, was home to an Anglo-Italian society set in the fertile cosmopolitan cultural climate of the Enlightenment.

The links between Britain and the Kingdom of Naples were not only artistic; there were strong commercial connections too. Naples was the farthest point south on the Grand Tour for many rich young travellers. These connections were born of the extraordinary progress achieved in the British textile industry and in the field of mechanics, which were to contribute to the beginnings of modern industry in Southern Italy in the early decades of the 19th century, and to Italy's first railway line, full of symbolic importance, which linked Naples and Portici.

The works gathered in this exhibition enable us to revisit the Neapolitan history, both high and popular cultures, in the warm and luminous tones of landscapes now world-famous. First and foremost though, these works stand to signify the heartfelt wish of the IRI Group that the great European market will be a perfect occasion to renew the traditional bonds of friendship between our two countries.

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Millenniary old élites anti proles

Michael Wright reviews a fragmented, post-modernist American tale of a professor behind bars, and haunted by the folly and futility of Vietnam

longs towards the year 2000, we may as well prepare ourselves for an onslaught of millennial novels, brimming with buckets of fin-de-siècle mal-aise and the odd thimbleful of brave new worldly optimism. Never mind worrying whether the sky is going to fall on our heads; it's writers' bonanza time.

Kurt Vonnegut here skips over the party itself, and concentrates instead on the morning after. It is the year 2001, and though the apocalypse has failed to show up, America is looking decidedly the worse for wear. The yen and fellatio are rapidly becoming the principal currencies. The social security system has gone bust. Sesame Street and Donaghue

are still going

Eugene Debs

strong on telly.

HOCUS POCUS By Kurt Vonnegut Cape, £13.99

eran addicted to housekeeping and older women, finds himself a prisoner in the very college where once he had been an unlikely Professor of Physics, accused of masterminding the biggest prison break in history. His narrative is a "gallows speech", a lurid past recalled Lolita-like from behind bars. But where Lolita is sprawled right across America, Hocus Pocus bubbles away in a single valley. On one side squats the huge New York State Maximum Security Adult Correctional Institution. from which - if there were any windows - might be seen the twinkling lights of Tarkington College, a small educational bas-tion for the learning-disabled offspring of wealthy Wasps.

Sacked from Tarkington for the Socratic crime of attempting 10 infect the minds of the young (to say nothing of his adultery with the coilege president's wife), Eugene has crossed the valley to leach at the prison, and gradually the two institutions crystallise into a vision of the world in microcosm: a mass of equally ignorant people split into two camps, the one a haven for the privileged minority, the other a hell for the downtrodden masses. Social preiudice and injustice perpetuated through the ignorance and lies -the lethal hocus pocus - of the ruling "élite" is the novel's central

Although other themes, social theories, and concerns are squashed into the narrative like ill-fitting cogs. it is Eugene's Vietnam experience that winds the mainspring and forces the whole thing to grind into life. The folly and futility of Vietnam, and the political hocus pocus that sustained the conflict, are treated with a mordant satire along the lines of Oh What a Lovely War. Of

ow that we are careering the second world war Eugene down the final few fur- observes that "I would have given anything to die in a war that meaningful". His vision is deeply coloured by his war-memories. and a web of martial allusion reflects this: jeans are "boobytrapped": champagne corks litter a gutter like cartridge cases; lobsters being boiled alive recall napalm attacks. The effect is incisive; but Eugene himself, for all his quirky frankness, has an unengaging whiff of "Exhibit A" about him. and we sympathise with him as a type - a "victim" - rather than as flesh and blood. Other characters are unmitigatedly minor. A motley collection of assorted panjandrums and unstable women who never step far out of the shadows of the narrator's consciousness.

A foreword explains that Eugene wrote the book "in pencil on everything from brown wrap-

ping-paper to the backs of business cards". Chapters are divided into short sections by lines, which supposedly indicate where one scrap ended and the next began. Fortunately, Eugene is a stickler for detail, and has numbered the pages "so there could be no doubt about their being sequential". Phew. A more wilful post-modern writer would have jumbled them up, but the novel is a jigsaw. nevertheless, as Eugene skips backwards and forwards among the wreckage of his past, in the meantime drawing up meticulous lists of the number of women he has slept with, and the number of people he killed in Vietnam.

It is disappointing that Vonnegut does not make more of the scraps-of-paper device, which is really little more than an excuse for a fashionably fractured nar-rative, with plenty of scope for the kind of asides and tinsel details that are one of the primary delights of his fairground style, all sawdust and fairy lights. Perhaps Hocus Pocus has fewer diamonds studding the rock than, say, Breakfast of Champions or his brilliant Slaughterhouse-Five. but Vonnegut retains his readerfriendly technique of peppering the narrative with tantalising loose ends, which are stitched up willy-nilly as the novel progresses.

Finally, however, this is non-intage Vonnegut, the overall vintage effect is less than the sum of its parts. Attempting to hit too many targets at once, the author has lobbed a fragmentation grenade rather than firing off an armour piercing missile: and a glut of ideology unbalances the novel. There's a lot of noise here, but all too few traces of music, and this particular piece of hocus pocus ultimately fails to weave a convincing spell.



Kurt Vonnegut, our off-beat and naughty professor of transatlantic Swiftian satire and gonzo wit

Ancient literary in-joke murder

yrit Connolly published the first of the four parts that constitute this literary whodunit in the magazine. Encounter. in 1956. The second and third sections were written, though not corrected, and a few years before his death in 1974, Connolly apparently showed these to Peter Levi, and outlined the denouement. Levi (now married to Connolly's widow, Deirdre - to whom this book is dedicated and therefore joint custodian of the Cyril Connolly estate) recently determined to write the fourth and final part himself, and published the whole the result is elegant. insenious, and more chock-full of linerary and artistic allusion and quotation than any modern book i can think of. Acquaintance with poets such as Fulke Greville and artists such as Marcellus Laroon is

taken for grant-Joseph Connolly ed, as is the assumption of a good working SHADE THOSE knowledge o LAURELS Italian and By Cyril Connolly Latin - while fluent . French Bellew, £12.95 will be seen to

rigueur. And yet far from being dense and indigestible, the novel is readable, if lightweight, rescued from accusa-tions of incurable snobbery and self-indulgent foppishness only by Connolly repeatedly intimating. very subtly indeed within the first section (and the first section is by far the most accomplished), that he is consciously going too far in some directions (the highly articu-late flavourings over epicurean arcana and the ceaseless donnish preening - How am I doing? asks Connolly parenthetically at one point) because he is aware that he cannot get far enough in others - such as plot development, characterisation, and memorable dialogue. Many of the descriptive passages are resonant, it must be said - Connolly seems sometimes to have invented resonance - but

when the plangency is over, a silence looms large. The plot concerns Stephen Kemble a humble young novel reviewer (and Connolly apparently thought it possible to be all these three things at once) who humbly goes to interview a newlyknighted grand old man of letters. Mortimer Gussage, before whom he humbles himself in a proud yet diffident Charles Ryder sont of a way - young Kemble also bringing to mind those faceless yet allseeing first person narrators that Dick Francis uses to such great effect. Gussage turns out to be a buge character who fills the page and the lives of all present (a natural for Gielgud), and so it is rather annoying when he dies fairly early on, leaving us to decide whether or not he was killed, and if so why, and by whom. Red herrings - or, less charitably, ideas never followed up - abound, and the solution is handled quite defily by Levi (though to betray it would be to take away all reason you might have to read the novel) despite the fact that he chickened out most fearfully with his treat-

ment of two of endearingly madcap bits of equipment planted by Connoily in part three: a Imperial Tokay intended to

loosen hedonistic tongues is broken while in the jacket pocket of Kemble while he is attempting to seduce Gussage's daughter (very Lucky Jim, but that's not the point), and an explosive fountain pen (remember, Connolly very creditably spooled James Bond long before it was mandatory to do so), which Levi has Kemble throw out of the window.

The in-jokes are there, as you would expect - wine "as old as Prafrock", Gussage's young wife Cressida (the name of Connolly's daughter), Horizon in the guest bedrooms, and mentions of "old Tom Eliot" and "Johnny Lehmann" - none of which would have cut any ice with Gussage's down-to-earth daughter Laurien (the possessor of long, hard thighs, and not much else of interest), who says at one point "La ric littéraire?... I don't think it's life at all." The overall impression is that imprisoned in this spare. waspish, and conscientiously edited slim volume is a vastly more substantial one wildly signalling to be let out.

roll-neck sweaters and short suede

jackets, whatever would that for-mal dandy Ion Fleming have made of them? Beta double minus.

● In Willaim Diehl's 27

Poe-faced dreams of a demon lover

Season of mists and mellow bookishness. In The Empire of Lights. Robert Grossmith writes of a lucid dreamer, Gabriel Flowers, who can linish his thesis on Edgar Allan Poe only in his reveries, not in the day. But an accomplished and enthralling debut that he seems to have broken the spell of his mute life. His hero cannot. An incubus. called Ellie from Poe's imaginings. involves his sleeping self in such sexual satisfactions that his marriage founders in his neglected wife's love affair.

Psychiatry and group therapy cannot release Flowers from the grip of his demon lover. He quotes Coleridge, "My Dreams became the Substances of my Life." Frankly, most accounts of other people's dreams are boring, but in the Flowers case, where the inner and outer lives clash, the descriptions of the unconscious become even more absorbing than human existence. This book is as subtle as the shadows on the wall of Plato's cave that seem to be our real life.

Under the Evening Sky is the first of Finn Carling's novels to be published in English. He conjures up an expatriate in Greece. Robert Turner sits in an Aegean cafe, ordering exquisite meals and befriending an emaciated Scandinavian, who pretends to be dying. The two men pledge frank-ness, and proceed to lie to each other. Over six encounters, they perjure the stories of their lives. Turner even claims that he has been hanged, and that his Eurydice has brought him back from the dead. Twist after twist, the truth is revealed about him, perhaps.

The memories that Carling' makes each man recount are as bleak as they are extraordinary, as credible as they are misleading. They are tales of murder and pretends to be a killer because of his imaginary association with the victim, but he is absolved by the police. A rare power infuses this hypnotic book, and a rare talent. There is no pity in the writing and no self-pity. The author himself has an incurable illness, and comes from Norway.

If anything has emerged from Albania since Byron brought out his bodyguard, it has to be Ismail Kadare, whose Broken April announces his spare achievement. He writes of a blood feud. A young mountaineer has to kill a member



Saturday / Review

Stephen Hawking. Peter Ackroyd on the aristocracy. Richard Holmes on Tennyson

Andrew Sinclair

THE EMPIRE OF LIGHTS By Robert Grossmith Hamish Hamilton, £13.99 UNDER THE EVENING SKY By Finn Carling Translated by A. Muinzer Peter Owen, £13.50 **BROKEN APRIL** By Ismail Kadare Saqi Books, £10.95 THAT DARCY, THAT DANCER. THAT GENTLEMAN



By J. P. Donleavy Viking, £13.99

of the family which has killed his brother. The other family allows him a truce of a few weeks. He will then be killed. The considerable novel describes a limbo of waiting before an inevitable and welcome death. Such fatalism and the code of honour could not have chosen more precise a scribe.

The Darcy novels of J. P. Donleavy are no more an acquired taste than old port or raw rump, beef or female. That Darcy, That Dancer, That Gentleman is the third part of the Irish chronicles of Darcy Dancer. It is a rollick and a romp that never leaves a pisspot unturned. It is all tawdry and bawdy and tumescence. There is no snigger in Donleavy, never a wink or a nudge. There is a leer and a dig that sometimes nearly breaks a few ribs from laughing.

In the best pages, Sterne and Surtees ride again. In the worst, a ribald gnome from the local shebeen tells another lewd yarn about the Big House. Bless you. Master Donleavy, for keeping Old Ireland forever dancing, daunt-less, and jaunty. And now to end this review as you end your chapters with a little prose poem:

Ah dear JP Wearing the green Like a Jeather In your cap To tickle The fancies and fannies Of those who are

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Cops and log-rolling blurbs "BIG, scary, suspenseful"... "Grabs you by the throat and won't let so"... Often the most entertaining bits of thrillers are the encomia on the covers that bear laughably little relation to inside. Beware puffs by fellow writers — mutual back-scratching, most likely, and no reliable recommendation. mendation. Over-endorsers include Elmore Leonard, Robert B. Parker and Stephen ("I loved every minute of it") King For THRILLERS readers who judge books by what's

characters, usually heads of state.
"Big" means long, "Most promising debut in years" equals first

novel. "Fast establishing himself as a master of the genre" equals second book. "Established mas-ter" equals the third plus, and/or

film adaptations of earlier work.

Stephen King of John Sandford's

earlier Rules of Prcy, which shouldn't altogether put one off Shadow Prey, a well-crafted story with emotional complications.

What interests Sandford - us 100

- is the illicit relationship between

a Minneapolis cop - a maverick pistolero with an Eighties gloss -

and a New York policewoman

sent west. Copwork takes backseat

to their will-they-won't-they affair, a courtship involving exag-gerated gun-play over 200 pages before a tumble into bed. Old-

fashioned morality rewards her.

with a bullet, clearing the way for

climactic mayhem between cop and villain, a stealthy Indian whose motive i missed, but whose

presence confirms that native

Americans are currently the

fashionable ethnic group in US

thrillers. Beta plus query plus....

Loup Durand's Daddy was a

WW2 chase crossing many bor-

ders, including the pretentious. With Jaguar (Hutchinson, 113.99), he moves to the 1920s; a

Russian revolutionary manufac-

tures a fictitious international

diminutive Candido, a Brazilian

innocent accompanied by the

stately Samantha, who dreams of anarchy in Berlin. Several coun-

tries and murders later Candido,

tired of being put upon, hardens

into a Nietzschean superhero ca-

pable of walking across conti-

nents. At best Durand recalls the

international adventurers and landscapes of Geoffrey House-

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time ago." in John Gardner's silly Broken Claw (Hodder & Stoughton, £12.95) Bond goes through the motions, duelling as per usual with foreign villains of mixed blood - but rather as an oldmaidish tourist, reduced to moaning the décline of such institutions as English afternoon tea. As for his

(Heinemann, £14.99) ("John le Carré move over") dialogue comes in lists: "You are a superb actor. You speak four languages fluently. You are a master of disguise, a soldier and a survivalist [sic], an acrobat. You believe in the Third Reich. And listening is the Lon Chancy of German cinema, about to forsake movie stardom for a secret mission in the US, where his adversary will be a Gatsbyish playboy who learns the meaning of commitment slowly, over 500 pages. A moratorium on Hiter appearances in third-rate entertainment! In a brief cameo a cockney prostitute gives great dialogue (and punctuation): "Say, you're an English toff, too, ain't

you?" Gamma hlimey minus.

THIS SATURDAY AT HARRODS, JOAN COLLINS WILL BE OPENING A BRAND NEW PRODUCTION. (HER LATEST NOVEL, 'LOVE & DESIRE & HATE.')

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KIROV ballerina Yelena Pan-kova, who impressed audiences and critics alike when the Soviet company was in London in June, is joining English National Ballet as a resident guest artist for the company's current season. Pan-kova's first appearance with ENB will be in Manchester on November 27 when she dances in the gala performance celebrating the eightieth birthday of the compa-ny's co-founder. Dame Alicia Markova. Meanwhile. ENB has also announced that its veteran principal dancer, Nicholas Johnson, has retired.

Private life

WE WOULD like to set the record straight over a reference to Cameron Mackimosh in our article about theatrical producers on this page last Tuesday. His production company is a private limited one. not a public one as was stated in the article. In fact, Mackintosh still has the £100 company he started over 23 years ago, even though he has become one of the most successful of all theatrical producers, with 40 shows cur-rently being staged worldwide.

New York, Va?

NEW York is continuing its love affair with British actress Eileen Atkins, who won acclaim off-Broadway this past summer in Andrew Davies's play, Prin, In February, Atkins returns to New York to launch the American tour of A Room Of One's Own, her onewoman show about Virginia Woolf. The play was a sell-out hit last year at Hampstead and in the West End, and there are plans for New York to be followed by San Francisco, Los Angeles and Washington. "I'm quite nervous," says Atkins, aware that good reviews in New York are not automatic. "I hope America will like It."



Eileen Atkins: Woolf on tour

Last chance . . .

LOVE, blues and spruced-up Dinah Washington might be the subtitle of Irene Reid's two-week residency at Ronnie Scott's. The American singer, who worked with the Count Basie Orchestra in the Sixties, has become one of the venue's most popular attractions. Backed by the 1770 led by Organis Mike Carr, Reid is at her best when she launches into her medleys of rhythm 'n' blues tunes. Her season at Ronnic's (071-439 0747) ends on Saturday.

CINEMA: NEW RELEASES

Life and times of a tell-tale

David Robinson on GoodFellas, Andrei Wajda's Korczak, A Shock to the System and Betsy's Wedding

ith GoodFelles (18, Curzon West End) Martin Scorsese returns to the Italian-American community in which he grew up, and which provided the themes of his first films, Who's That Knocking at my Door? and Mean Streets.
Adapted from the book Wiseguy,
by Nicholas Pileggi, who co-wrote
the script with Scorese, Good-Fellas recreates with documentary fidelity the story of Henry Hill, a small-time hood and large-scale informer,

The film first shows Hill as a bright kid in the Fifties, proud to run errands for the local Mafia His father is Irish, but his Sicilian mother provides the right con-nections. Growing up, he appreciates the privileges bestowed by association with crime sharp suits, awe from the neighbours, the chance for a nobody to be a somebody. He grows into a useful

"mechanic", loyal to the mob's strict, if warped, codes of honour. After years of service, involvement in drugs makes him a threat to his associates and a candidate for the hit-list. He turns informer in exchange for a new identity.

Scorsese and Pilleggi have not tried to force this chronicle of a criminal career into a conventional dramatic structure. Incident follows incident and characters come and go, in a panorama of everyday activity. The ethnic background and ethical maladjustment of Hill and his associates give them a certain exotic colour, but in other respects they are chillingly ordinary. Like other family men, they are

dedicated to making money to support their wives, children, pets and over-decorated suburban bomes. It seems almost incidental that they gain that livelihood by stealing, cheating, extortion and (though only when someone endangers their income) murder.

They pursue their work with energy, enthusiasm and a callous sense of fun and bonhomie, enjoying the kicks of danger. machismo and sadism: At the end of the film, Henry Hill, safe and prospering, still yearns for the old thrills and the sentimental, even mystical, "family" loyalties.

Scorsese and Pileggi show this life, with all its violence of action and language, without offering overt judgment. The audience is required to distinguish sympathy for characters from approval. Robert De Niro, in an ostensibly supporting role as Hill's mentor, a ruthless gangster who commands the respect of peers

and opponents alike, inevitably

Scorsese connections; Robert De Niro (left), Ray Llotta as Mafia protégé Henry Hill, and Paul Sorvino in *GoodFellas*

dominates the picture. Joe Pesci is alarmingly real as a small, garrulous, pathological hoodlum, full of anecdotes, devoted to his mother (played by Scorsese's own mother) and thrilled to kill. Paul Servine is the local godfather, of lugubrious dignity, sanctimoniously protec-tive of "family" and tradition.

The least satisfactory character is Hill himself, on screen for most of the film's 146 minutes, yet ultimately elusive. The fault may be less that of the actor Ray Liotta - who displayed remarkable versatility in Something Wild, Domunick and Eugene and Field of Dreams - than of the real-life Hill's reticence. The book leaves an impression that his "confessions" leave a lot unsaid about his personal involvement.

It is, all in all, a film of impressive skills. Kristi Zea's production design, Michael Ballhaus's photography and an evocative collection of period pop songs carry us skilfully through 30 years of social change that are the background of Henry's personal evolution. The authentic, obscene dialogue and Thelma Schoonmaker's highly-regarded editing combine to provide a dynamic that compensates for the absence of conventional dramatic

A very different kind of biography is featured in Korczak (PG, Camden Plaza, Curzon Phoenix). Janusz Korczak was the pen-name of the Polish Jew Henryk Goldszmit, a noted pioneer paediatrician and children's writer. He passed into legend when he refused all offers of doubt represents reality. escape and accompanied the 200 inmates of his orphanage to the gas chambers of Treblinka.

ndrzej Wajda, Poland's greatest stage and screen director and now a senator, has said that his tribute to Korczak will be his last film. He wanted, he said, "to rediscover the simplicity and honesty of my early, black-and-white films. Over the last three decades. European cinema has stunningly renewed its language, improved its technique, but it has lost its native faith in the audience's desire for beautiful and simple stories."

The story of Korczak's last days, and the struggle to keep his orphans alive in the Warsaw ghetto, is told without heroics or sentiment. This is of its nature hagiography; but Agnieszka Hol-land's script and Wojtek Pszoniak's performance contrive to make their saintly hero as human as may be. He is stubbornly tactless in his dealings with the Germans and shameless in begging food for the children, even from the ghetto's collaborators and black-marketeers: "I have no dignity. I have 200 children."

Scenes of this disgusting underworld reveal a startling new aspect of the ghetto; but, given the documentary realism with which the time and place have been researched and recreated, it no

The film is austerely but effectively photographed, by the master-cinematographer Robby Muller, in black and white which permits imperceptible transitions to documentary shots of the time. In some scenes Wajda depicts German soldiers at work, industriously filming the nowfamiliar records of the degradation to which the Germans reduced their victims before completing the process of extermination.

Korczak, which marks the liberation of Polish cinema from a long period in which Jewish subjects were virtually prohibited. is a gripping narrative. With anti-Semitism very present in the turbulence of the new Europe, it has an awful new relevance.

At its premiere at the Cannes Festival, the final scene - in spectral slow motion - showing Korczak and his children apparently escaping from the train taking them to Treblinka, caused some misgivings. Now an added title clarifies Wajda's intentions. It explains that the reality of the massacre was so painful to accept that it gave rise to this legend. / LS. Odeon

Mezzanine) is a kind of comic footnote to GoodFellas; even Joe Pesci turns up again. Alan Alda. who also wrote and directed this ethnic comedy; plays an ItalianAmerican builder with a Jewish wife and two daughters. Betsy (Molly Ringwald) is on the point of marrying the son of a rich WASP-ish couple: their ethnic anonymity is an object of positive

scorn in the in-law family. Short of cash to pay for the slapup wedding that pride demands. Alda finds himself involved with the dubious financial schemes of his double-dealing brother-in-law (Pesci). As situation comedy it is predictable, but the interplay of character is often lively, with Madeline Cahn and Julie Bavasso in the Jewish corner, and Pesci and Burt Young as the operators from Little Italy.

Adapted from an English novel Simon Brett, but set in New York, A Shock to the System (15, Warner West End) develops the notion that status, promotion and greed are literally a matter of life and death for employees of business corporations. Michael Caine plays an executive so unbalanced by being passed over for promotion that he embarks on a

successful campaign of murder. Caine, Swoozie Kurtz as his ambitious wife, Peter Riegert as the younger corporate usurper and Elizabeth McGovern as his office girlfriend are all enjoyable; and sometimes have runny lines. Plot points seem to have been muddled in the adaptation, however, and the first-time director Jan Egleson still lacks the necessary skills of styling and pointing comedy.

CRITICS' CHOICE: VIDEO

released on video. The year refers to the date of first release, or in the case of television films, of first broadcast.

CINEMA PARADISO (Palace, PG) Warm-hearted salute to the movim trom Italian writer-director Giuseppo Tomatore, following the fortunes of a movie-mad Sicilian from childhood to white hair With Jacques Perrin,

COLD FEET (Virgin Vision, 15) Robert Dornhelm's stimulalingly wayward comedy-drama about three petty criminals in Montana, co-written your novelst Tom McGuane With Salty Kirkland, Tom Warts, Keith Camadine

CONFIDENTIAL REPORT (BF) Connoisseur, PG) Citizen Kane sloppily reworked as a European thritler, none too good, though Orson Welles's fadures are worth more than many lesser directors' successes With Welles himself as Mr Arkadin The strange tycoon with a blank past 1955

EARLY JOH VAYNE WESTERNS (Castle, U) Currous to see a young, lean, colourised John Wayne woomg fair damsels, raining blows on outle and enduring badinage with George "Gabby" Hayes? Lock no further than this batch of Westerns made by Lone Star Productions in 1933-4 Sagebrush Trail, Blue Steel, Randy Rides Alone, Riders of Destiny, and The Man From Utah Colour may add to their marketability, but no amount of linting can turn these modest adventures into Stagecoach or Rio Bravo.

THE HUNT FOR RED OCTOBER (CIC, PG): Sean Connery as a pre-glasnost Soviet commander, trying to datect in a submanne bristling with first-strike weapons. Large, lumbering, old-fashioned drama, directed by John McTieman from Tom Clancy's best-

JESUS OF MONTREAL (Palace, 18) An updated version of a Passion Play causes confroversy in Montreal. Obvious but elegant satire of modern life and the media from French-Canadian director Denys Arcand; smoothly acted, 1990.

LORD OF THE FLIES (Palace, 15): Flat new version of William Golding's savage novel, misquidedly turning the English schoolboys marooned on a tropical island into American military scademy cadets. Harry Hook directs a largely unknown cast. 1990

OEDIPUS REX (BFI Connoisseur, 15): Pasolini's visually arresting treatment of the Oedipus myth, alternating in setting between the Morgodan desert and modern industrial Bologna. With Franco Citti, Silvano Mangano 1967.

MEDEA (BFI Connoisseur PG) Maria Calles a strong anguished face treatment of the Europides play - an extraordinary mixture of classical mythology, Freudian ruminations and Marxist social criticism 1969

MONSIEUR HIRE (Palace, 18): Simenon's novel about a backelor's dark obsession with his neighbour powerfully filmed by director Patrice Leconte, with intense performances (Michel Blanc, Sandrine Bonnaire) and an eerie air of timeless fantasy 1989.

THE RED BALLOON (Legand, U): Albert Lamorese's magical, 35-minute tentesy about a tonely Parisian boy (the director's son, Pascal) betriended by a red balloon, 1956. Another of Lamonsse's flights of fancy, Stowaway in the Sky, is also available

ZORBA THE GREEK (CBS/Fox. PG): Greek peasant (Anthony Quinn, who else?) teaches an Englishman abroad (Alan Bates, who else?) to relax his stiff upper lip Sprawling, glib, but a big hit

GEOFF BROWN

Mysterious cat's flying visit

London is temporary home to one of Venice's treasures.

Joseph Connolly bearded the lion at the British Museum

dinary exhibition, for the simple reason that it centres on a single colossal sculpture, immediately recognisable from every painted or photographed view of Venice ever produced. Even if it were the sole exhibit in The Lion of Venice, which opens today, its drawing power would be enormous; very few other works, no matter how monumental.

could work such magic. Although it is true that major exhibitions of rarely seen treasures regularly throw up star attractions from among their many glories (Tutankhamen's golden mask, or the leaping TAng horse from Treasures of China), in the case of The Lion of Venice, this wonderful 14ft, 2.5 ton green bronze giant is the

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forming mere background. And yet, despite the fame. and majesty of the beast, nobody knows who built it, or when; not even its country of centuries it was erroneously believed to have been locally

Nor is it known when first it was placed upon its 50ft red granite column in the Piazzetta, nor whether the column itself was erected for that specific purpose. The column is one of a pair, while the winged lion remains defiantly unique: nothing remotely similar to it has ever been

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In 1985, the lion was taken

made possible for the first time. Prior to 1892, the lion was supposed to be medieval, but then a decree dated 1293 was discovered, recording that position, but that it was in

Estimates were hastily revised, whereupon it was assumed that the lion must have formed part of the loot brought to Venice after the Sack of Constantinople in 1204. The four horses which adorn San Marco arrived in this way, and were chronicled; the lion, however, was not. Professor Bianca Maria this current extensive renova-

Scarfi (author of the accompanying catalogue) now as-serts that the lion has been restored five times prior to



Wonderful green giant: The Lion of Venice, now in Bloomsbury

He is away from Venice for only the second time in 900

rano glass.

tion. Further, she has come to the startling conclusion that it was originally executed by a Greek or Oriental Greek artist, at the end of the fourth century BC. But still there is no absolute

proof, and looking into the creamy white chalcedony eyes, one feels that the lion might still have more secrets within him. As one moves around the great face, its expression shades between menace, cheekiness and hilarious contempt, often looking nothing like a lion at all.

This has little to do with the wings, but much to do with the face itself - human, with touches of griffin, ape and Pekinese dog. The ancient Orientals - though mad on lions - had never actually seen one, and this is true, too, of 13th-century Italians who formally adopted lions as being emblematic of St Mark (patron saint of Venice) and promptly emblazoned unlikely representations of them

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poleon in 1797, smashed into 20 pieces by the French in Paris in 1815 and returned to Fine examples of their obsession are on view on the first floor of the British Museum: canvases by such as Car-Venice and rebuilt the followpaccio, a much-imitated ing year). Guardi and some beautiful The opportunity is not to be brown ink drawings by Canamissed, for once he is permaletto, as well as multifarious

nently restored to his rightful leonine depictions on coins place watching over St Mark's and in illuminations, book-Square, one will never again bindings, stone relief and Mube able to gaze into those milky and inscrutable eyes. But it is to the great lion in the foyer that visitors return.

• The Lion of Venice is at The British Museum, Great Russell Street, London WCI until January 13. Admission is free: the catalogue costs £17.05 years (he was stolen by Na-





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A STOCK figure of old drama is the heiress whose father refuses to let her marry a pauper, some bright spark, generally a servant, has to map out a route across the minefield of parental opposition.

The need to outwit the old is a fact of life, and the cleverest dramatists could make the senior ranks of the audience see the joke as well. Goldoni, writing in the mid-18th century, introduces two neat variations on the plot, one so amusing that it almost obscures the other. Not surprisingly, it is the first that comes across most happily in Graham Alborough's free adaptation.

He neatly transposes the action to 1945, keeping the original setting of a rich Dutch merchant's home but turning Goldoni's feeble French officer into a Yank airman, hovering about on a crutch after parachuting from his plane. The Yank, here called Sherman, is a poor Southern gentleman; his servant Gascoigne is a cackhanded navigator from the Bronx (never called Gazza); and old Philibert is a proud but roguish diamond merchant, with a fortune

concealed in his chandelier. Goldoni's clever trick is to make Philibert assume that the girl the lieutenant loves is the daughter of an upstart neighbour. He urges the young man to go ahead, marry without the father's consent, even gives him some diamonds to help him on his way, and then, of course, finds himself caught in his

OWE ITAD. Nicely played by Michael Burrell to bring out the contrary impulses of fondness and scorn, meanness and prodigality, Alborough's bold additions, such as the Heath Robinson device to lower the chandelier, or the habit of wiping his mouth after speaking the word "love", give the character a rich unpredictability.

This is a quality of Alborough's adaptation throughout. Billy Hartman's Gascoigne starts quoting from the movies, and, as a further joke, is deemed to be most sincere when doing so. The rivalry between the two young women unexpectedly echoes the tart exchanges of Wilde's Cecily and Gwendolen over the tea table. Alborough's style is well up to pastiche, and ingenious enough to stammer the name of Philibert's. daughter, Gianina, and make a connection with GL

Goldoni's loose ends are tied, though at the cost of extending the play beyond the end of the joke; this is a matter of not knowing where to cut, a shortcoming that Jeremy Raison's otherwise witty production shows elsewhere. The big question at the end is what will Alborough do with the character of Costanza, the other girl, excellently played by Elizabeth Rider with nervous smiles, gulped phrases of disbelief and a pair of pale hands with an expressive life of their own. Her fate is important because she is a far more attractive character than Robin McCaffrey's bumptious Gianina. Goldoni's second near variation on the stock plot was to make the daughter, not a servant, trick the old man; but the effect is not happy and

unsubtle playing makes it less so. The damage is not severe, however, and with such joys as Roy Boutcher's nouveau riche vulgarian, flashing a diamondstudded smile, the evening passes very agrecably. Even the in-evitable jokes about crutches are

JEREMY KINGSTON



Elizabeth Rider as Costanza and Billy Hartman as Gascoigne

ROCK Prefab Sprout Hammersmith Odeon

AS THINKING person's pop comes closer to being a contradiction in terms, the sub-section of the paying public that has advanced beyond a juvenile delinquent's level of intelligence has less and less to listen to. Of the British bands who do still make records which address its needs, one thinks of Aztec Camera and Scritti Politti, but above all of Prefab Sprout.

Being one of the few acts dedicated to impressing an audience with sound rather than vision, it is not intended as a criticism that, apart from some

perfunctory projection of images on to raised screens behind them. Prefab Sprout laid on almost nothing to look at. The emphasis was centred rigorously on not distracting attention from the

It was almost as if the Sprouts preferred to forget they were putting on a show at all. When frontman Paddy McAloon came downstage to inspect his customers he had to shield his eyes from the lights, as if unaccustomed to even the basic accourrements of live performance. Backing vocalist Wendy Smith stayed stage left, immobile as if on pain of death, as she fed decorative accompaniment into her microphone. One hired hand, whose green electric guitar offered a lone splash of colour, actually sat down during one song.

The playing is what counts. though, and this is where the band made it plain that they knew more than a little about showmanship. To one side of the stage a percussionist thumped, rattled and tapped his way through the Sprouts' private stash of oddsounding instruments. Thus, a soundtrack of atmospheric slashes, bangs and bongs added unpredictable embellishment to McAloon's crisp compositions, while a rhythm guitar strummed neativ surprising chord pro-gressions, a keyboard provided ornamental tinkering, and McAloon's own sometimes breathy. sometimes guttural voice sauntered freely up and down the

There is no harm in falling short of a standard set in the studio, so it hardly seemed to matter than

McAloon's vocal pitch was not always perfect: the miniscule deviations of his singing voice served as a reminder of how close to perfection such a high proportion of his sones are.

The virtue, meanwhile, of hearing these in a longish live set is that it confirms how effortlessly McAloon steers clear of selfrepetition. From the earliest material on Swoon to the sure touch Steve McQueen ("Faron Young", "Appetite", "When Love Breaks Down") and the best of the new album Jordan: The Come-back ("Carnival 2000", "Looking for Atlantis"), his fully-rounded tunes constantly veer away from the obvious. Like sons, like singer: the preferred tipple on stage was either orange juice or water.

JASPER REES

TELEVISION Without Walls/Nixon

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PHILIP Larkin was the one who wrote that sexual intercourse first began in 1963, and his touchstone was the Lady Chatterley trial of that year, famous now for the prosecuting council's suggestion that servants should not be allowed to read it. What might have been a sexual issue then became, as usual in England, one of social engineering, and if anything lost Griffith-Jones the trial, it was the sudden shocking realisation that nobody had any servants left to be either depraved or corrupted. Such footnotes to literary history did not, alas, form much of a part of last night's Without Walls on Channel 4. which attempted to do three quite different things within the hour and was therefore rendered largely inaudible due to its crashing between stools.

Stephen Lennhoff's film tried to be simultaneously a life of D.H. Lawrence, a literary study of his work, and a recollection of the trial using many of its original

witnesses, plus Tim McInnerncy in John Cleese vein as a manic prosecution counsel. forever counting up the number of. aughty words in the text. All the programme really lacked was the elebrated review in an American farming journal noting that, as a guide to estate management, the book is totally useless.

But the casting of McInnerney in modern satirical mood totally missed the class struggle that was at the heart of the trial, between the patrician Griffith-Jones on the one hand and the new redbrick men such as Richard Hoggart on the other. It also confused the issue by giving us the defence witness's memories of the trial a quarter of a century later, but nothing from the prosecution side except an actor.

One brief interview with the octogenarian wonder Dilys Powell explained in a couple of minutes how the battle was won far more effectively than any court-room reconstruction, while the most enthralling footage came from newsreels of the time, showing queues of respectable Penguin book-buyers caught by a television reporter looking as shifty as if they were going into a pornographic

the only real terror is in imagining what would have happened if the judgement had gone the other way. Presumably the greengrocer advertising Forbidden Fruits just across the road from the Lawrence Museum, not to mention the video dealer on the corner, might have had to find some other calling.

As England struggled with the mid-1960s arrival of sex and the attendant servant crisis, America had other problems, not least the third coming of Richard Nixon. Now in its second week, the Thames documentary series about him is proving a formidable history of the post-war United States.

Last night brought us to the edge of Watergate, but started back in 1966 when, with Kennedy assassinated and Goldwater blown away by his own right-wing rhotoric, tricky Dicky was back in the running for the presidency he had so narrowly lost six years.

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As another witness noted, the some of the policies in his book on trial here was really John showroom, and white middle-Stuart Mill's essay. Liberty, and class America saw him as some sort of solution to the racial One or two questions still remained unanswered, notably the liberal press's loathing of Nixon. even at a time when they had taken the still more right-wing-Goldwater to their hearts. But by 1969 Johnson and Humphrey had been defeated by Viernam and the only real opposition was a contender from California called Ronald Reagan and nobody could

> could they? So Nixon won his election at last, and by 1972 had established himself as the most successful. if still not the most popular of postwar presidents. He had started the withdrawal from Vietnam and become the first US leader to visit both the Kremlin and Mao Tsctung. There was just one little snag at this moment of his trial. he decided to send in the plumbers to burgle the Watergate. Greek playwrights had nothing on the hubris around the White House in the summer of 1972 to be continued next week.

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SHERIDAN MORLEY

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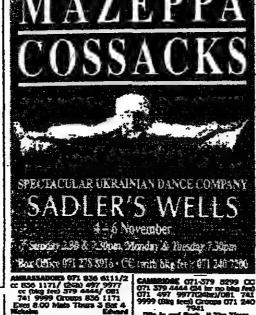


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8.50 Daytime UK. A look at the morning 9.00 News, regional news and weather 9.05 Bramwave, Outz show 9.25 Dish of the Day, Cooking suggestions from Rose Elliot 9.30 People Today. Three mothers to be talk about

pregnancy 10.00 News, regional news and weather 10.05 Children's BBC introduced by 19.05 Children's BBC introduced by Simon Parkin begins with Playdays which comes from Norden, Rochdale (r) 19.25 The Family Ness. Carbon series (r) 10.35 People Today. Kaffe Fassett explores arts and crafts 11.00 News, regional news and weather 11.05 Kiroy. Robert Kiltoy-Silk chairs a studio discussion on cryonics 11.45 Before Noon. Adrien Mile and Ronke Phillips take viewers' calls.

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oday. Live entertainment 12.55 Regional news and weather 1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip Hayton. Weather

6.00 News 8.15 Westminster. A round-up of

parliamentary business 9.00 Daytime on Two: maths 9.15

Women's battle for political equality 9.45 France and the French 10.00

Magazine for the very young 10.15 Questions on belief for seven to 11-year-olds 10.35 Study skills 11.00 The

prime minister is questioned on river

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in promoting learning 1.20 PC Pickerton 1.40 Rhythm patterns

Sir Roy Streng, the former director of the Victoria & Albert Museum, explores

2.30 Holiday Outings. A trip around Greenwich with Gillian Reynolds (r) 2.35 Country File. Experts predict that

will be surplus to need by the year

Westminster Live. Vivian White

presents live business from the

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4.00 Racing from Newbury continued
from BBC1. Live coverage of the EBF
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4.25 Chris Serie's Sommer Season.

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4.30 Fighting Talk, Rebecca Melby, a

Commons, including prime minister's question time 3.50 News, regional

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2.00 News and weather followed by You and Me (r) 2.15 Six Faces of Royalty.

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1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) 1.50 Four Square. Quiz game show presented by John Sacha 2.15 Betty Boop,

Cartoon double bill (r)
2.25 Racing from Newbury, Julian Wile Introduces live coverage of the Racal Introduces live coverage of the Racal Telecom Handicap Stakes (2.40); the Vodafone Horris Hill Stakes (3.10); and the Round Oak Handicap Stakes (3.40). The 4.10 race is on BBC2. The commentators are Peter . O'Sulleven, Jimmy Lindley and John Hanriner

3.50 The Brothys. Animated adventures narrated by David Shaw Peters 4.05 narrated by David Shaw Peters 4.05
Clockwise. Fast-moving quiz hosted
by comedy impressionist Darren Day
4.20 Fantastic Max. Adventures of
a bionic baby
4.35 Uncle Jack . . . And Operation
Green. Episode four of the six-part
comedy serial with an environmental
start starring Paul Jones and Kenneth
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5.00 Newsround 5.05 Blue Peter.
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5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceelax). Northern freiand: Sportswide 5.40 Inside Ulster 6.00 Six O'Clock News with Andrew

Harvey and JRI Dando. Weather
6.30 Regional News Magazines.
Northern Ireland: Neighbours
7.00 Top of the Pops introduced by Jakki
Brambles (simultaneous broadcast with
Radio 1)

5.00 Play Snooker. The first in a series in

which Dennis Taylor helps four players to improve their game (r) 5.30 Clean State. This new education magazine series reports on the reading debate, looks at alternative schools in New York, questions John MacGregor, the education secretary about schools and teachers and finds out how John McVicar improved his

eduction while in prison 6.00 Film: City Beneath the Sea (1953). Robert Ryan and Anthony Quinn star in hobert hyan and Ammony Quant star in this Boys' Gwm underwater yam about deep see divers hanting for sinken treasure in a week off the coast of Jameica, eventually coming to blows over the spoils. Directed by Budd Boetticher, Wales: Film: Our Relations (b/w) 7.10.8.00 Open

7.30 First Sight: Baby Alex. Antonta Figgs talks to a family whose unborn baby suffers from a heart defect, and their decision to let the doctors at Harefield Hospital try new methods to save his life. Northern Ireland: Birds of a Feather; England: -- East: Second Thoughts; Midlends: The Midlends Report; Leeds, Newcastle and Manchester: Closic Up North; Southampton: Southern Eye; Plymouth: Western Approach; Bristol: Current Account

8.00 Red Dwarf III... The Sage Continuums. Science fiction comedy deservedly on a re-rum. Starring Chris Barrie and Craig Charles. (Ceefax) 6.30 Top Gear, William Woollard introduces the magazine for motoring ns. Today's edition includes a visit to the Audi Sport International in Wales, a look at Laxue, Toyota's new luxury model, and a review of the 80th anniversary of the Alfa Flomeo

9.00 Rab C Nesbitt. Nesbitt heads for Sideup in search of romance. Cornedy starring Gregor Fisher and Eleine C

9.30 40 Minutes: The Thawing of a Cold CHOICE: As you watch Jamie Dozen's film, you may find yourself wenting to refer once again to this

7.30 EastEnders. Gloom and doom scep set in east London. (Ceefax) 8.00 Tomorrow's World. The lea reports on near-invisible satellite dishes. and finds out why one of Hungary's hottest takes is going cold 8.30 Birds of a Feather. Silcom about two eleters whose husbands are in prison. Starring Pauline Quirke and Linda Robson. (Cesfax). Northern

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9.30 One Foot in the Grave. Comedy series exemining the triels and inbulations of life star retirement, starring Richard Wilson and Amette Crosbie. (Castax)

10.00 Your Cheathr' Heart. Episode three of the drama seriel, written by John Byrne, creator of the acclaimed Tuttl Frutti, starring John Gordon Sinclair and Tilda Swinton. (Ceefax)

10.50 Question Time presented by Peter Sesons from London's Barbican Comme. Sissons from London's Barbican Centre. The guests are Judge James Pickles and MPs Kenneth Clarke, John Smith

and David Owen
11.50 Nearly Departed. American comedy series about a couple of stubborn ghosts who refuse to shuffle off the mortal coll until their precious house is rid of the present occupants. Starring Eric Idle 12.15em Weather



General Ivan Yershov and daughter (9.30pm)

preview paragraph to reassure yourself that you had not imagined it all when you read that this is not only a true story but that the three principal characters — the Red Army general marked out for promotion, his startlingly beautiful daughter and his dissident Jewish non-in-law — era not actors but the actual trio embroaled in this astonishing "love above all" drame. Admittedly, the title implies a softening in the attitude of the general, who had refused to sanction his daughter's departure for the US to join her husband, despite the fact that, after a month on hunger strike, she was only days away from death. But whether the thawing came too late, and to what extent the father softened, are matters in this gripping Rapide Productions film that must not be evealed here. (Ceefax)

10.10 Smith and Jones in Small Doses. Mel Smith and Griff Rhys Jones star as Derek and Colin, this week attempting to spend a fun weekend on Derek's yearts - in the pouring rain (r). (Caefax)

10.30 Newsnight presented by Francine Stock

11.15 The Late Show. Arts and media magazine 11.55 Weather 12.00 Fighting Talk. See 4.30. Ends at 12.35

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8.00 TV-am 9.25 Jeopardyl Chris Donat has the answers. It is up to the contestants to guess the questions 9.55 Thames ws and weather

10.00 The Time . . . The Place . . . John Stapleton chairs a topical discussion 10.40 This Morning. Magazine series presented by Richard Madeley and Judy

Firmigan
12.05 The Riddlers. For the young (r)
12.25 Home And Away. Australian soap
about a couple and their foster
children 12.55 Thumen News and 1.00 News at One with John Suchet.

1.20 Hot Property. A bereaved mother talk how her son's life could have been saved by a simple smoke detector. Presented by Judith Chalmers 1.50 A Country Practice. Australian soap sel around a rural medical centre
2.20 Posh Procks & New Trousers
features the best in bridgi waar for the
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eve the chance to model their posh

2.50 Tell the Truth. Fred Dinenage chairs the panel game in which celebrities have to work out which of the contestants is telling the truth about a peculiar claim to fame. This afternoon's guests are Roy Castle, Katie Boyle, Chris Tarrant and Wendy Richard (r) 3.15 News headlines 3.20 Thames News headlines 3.25 The Young Doctors

3.55 The Raggy Dolls 4.10 Disney's Duck Tales (r) 4.35 Speedy and Daffy (r) 4.40 Jackson Pace: The Great Years. Comedy drama serial about a British explorer

5.10 Blockbusters 5.40 News with Sue Carpenter, Weather 5.55 Thames Help. Jackie Spreckley with details of the Parents for Safe Food

6.00 Home and Away (r) 6.30 Thames News and weather



1,500th episode: *Emmerdale*'s cast (7.00pm)

7.00 Emmerdale. Episode 1,500 of the topical soap set in the Yorkshire Dales. (Oracle)
7.30 Survival: Acrobat of the Woods. Martin Jarvis namates the story of the nuthatch, one of Britain's most

secretive birds. 0.00 The Bill: Jack-the-Lad. Burnside is on the heels of the armed robber of a jewellery shop, convinced that it is a man called Terry Gray who claims he has an alibi. (Oracle) 8.30 This Week: Who Cares? A documentary examining the plight of schizophrenics and other psychiatric patients who have been discharged into the community by the thousand, in

line with government policy
9.00 Capital City. Frenetic, multi-stoned big business drama series set in a merchant bank (Oracle) 10.00 News at Ten with Sandy Gall and

Julia Somerville Weather 10.30 Thames Naws and weather 10.40 The City Programme investigates why debt is a four-letter word in the Souare Mile

11.10 01. includes Steven Berkoff reviewing GoodFettes and William Armstrong on A Shock to the System (40 Prisonar: Cell Block H 12.30am Contacts. The televised version of a personal column

1.00 The Concert. The Bible recorded at the Town & Country Club, Kentish Town 2.00 Film: Crossplot (1969) starring Roger Moore, Martha Hyer and Alexis Kanner. An advertising executive, Gary Fenn, and the beautiful star of his new campaign become involved in a spy mg. An entertaining but forgettable caper, which was really a continuance of Moore's role as the Saint and forerunner to his Bond. Directed by Alvin Rakoff. Followed by News

4,00 The Invisible Man (b/w). The bandaged hero uncovers a web of intrique (r)

4.30 America's Top Ten (r) 5.00 ITN Morning News with Anne Leuchars Ends at 6.00

CHANNEL 4

6.00 The Art of Landscape, Soothing scenes and relaxing music 6.20 Business Daily 6.30 The Channel Four Daily

12.00 The Parliament Programme presented by Sue Cameron
12.30 Business Daily. Financial and
business news service introduced by

Dermot Murhaghan 1.00 Sesama Straut. Children's educational fun with the Muppets. With guest Richard Stolzman and his

clannel 2.00 A Houseful of Plants. Floris Benjamin and Michael Jordan continue their look at house plants. This afternoon — the trials and tribulations faced by commercial contractors, with special guests Andrew Logan, Graham Wilson and plant doctor, Chris Fairweather (r). (Teletext)



Virginia Mayo and Ronald Reegan (2.30pm)

2.30 Film: She's Working Her Way Through College (1952).

CHOICE: This must not be taken as a strong recommendation that you should watch a Hollywood musical that has, in truth, not much to offer; and you should be warned that, though

the inspiration for it was the acclaimed stage play *The Male Animal* into which James Thurber poured some of his characteristic humour - rt was filmed, with title unchanged, in 1942 -H. Bruce Humberstone's musical throws away not only the baby and the bath-water but the bath, too. Why elevate it to TV Choice then? For one reason only: the role of the college professor who stoutly defends the burlesque star turned student (Virginia Mayo) is played by an actor who, in later years, was to adopt many a defiant stand on wider, less allly, stages. All Ronald Reagan movies, even the indifferent ones, have now become collectors' itemi

4.20 Dance Macabre. Cartoon by Shella Graber about a friendly ghost. With music by Saint Saens

4.30 Fifteen-to-One. Another 15 contestants take part in the demanding quiz show presented by William

5.00 Daily Telegraph Junior Golfer of the Year. Tony Jacklin watches the final stages of the UK's largest junior golf competition, at the Penina course in Portugal. The top 15 boys and gats from an initial 25,000 junior golfers compete over 36 holes 6.00 The Crystal Maze. Another showing

of the popular adventure game with Richard O'Brien (r)

7.00 Channel 4 Nows with Nicholan Owen and Zeinab Badawi 7.50 Comment followed by Westher 8.00 The Great Moghuis: The Young Akbar. Bamber Gascoigne continues the story of the family which ruled the Asian subcontinent for more than six generations, filmed on location in India and Pakistan. Their lives were filled with treachery, decelt and murder. but the dynasty commisioned art and

architecture to rival the cultural

achievements of the Medici. Akbar,

crowned emperor at the age of 13 was one of the greatest Moghul leaders,

casta, "untouchability" and sexism in India are related. The recent spate of violence in the wake of proposals to end caste restrictions on government lobs in India makes this a limely repeat (r) 12.00 A Week in Politics - Late Sitting.

between MPs Teddy Taylor and William Cash, Peter Price MEP and Bouka Beumar, chairman, European committee. Ends at 1,30am

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Music) 9.35 Stretching a Point: Music that bends the rules. Gesueldo

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(Mazeppa: Georges Czifira, piano), Gesualdo (Ave, Regina Costorum: Tallis Scholars); C.P.E. Bach (Anoso: Siegined

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Pink, viola da gamba, Christiane Jaccotlet.

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bringing together of the Hindu and Muslim communities (r)

8.30 Cheers. Consistently entertaining

whose achievements included the

American comedy set in a Boston bar. Diane cannot conceal her scorn at Sam's attempt to date a gorgeous but dumb blonde named Brandee Starring Ted Danson and Shelley Long (r). (Teletext) Grown Ups.

Grown Ups.

CHOICE: There is an irony in Jules 9.00 Ġi Feiffer's play about family fife that will

gradually become apparent to you: the journalist son (Charles Grodin) is writing a book which, he tells his parents (Martin Balsam and Jean Stapleton) is about the aberrant effect of the cold war on domestic lives. But the last thing Feitler is actually writing about is the strained nature of East-West relations in the early Eighties. His cold war is lought out in the kitchens and lounges of ordinary houses, between husbands and wives, parents and children, sisters and brothers. And what Feitfer so brilliantly implies in the play, alternating warm comedy with lacerating anger to underline the point, is that the biggest mistake grown-ups make about winning is that they lorget that it is a game in which there must also be losers - the next generation of wrangling

grown-ups 11.00 Caste at Birth. Award-winning director Mira Hamermesh's study of how

includes a discussion on sovereignty

5.00em Sky World Review 5.30 Newskine 5.00 The DJ Kat Show 8.45 Pages Post Posted

SKY NEWS

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5.00am Sky News Overnight 5.30 Roying Report 6.00 Sky News Europe 6.30 Sky
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11.30 Beyond 2000 1.30pm NBC Today 2.30 Parliament Live 3.15 Prime Minister's Question Time 4.00 Sky News
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Good Books 11.38 The World Today 11.53 Words of Faith 11.58-12.05em Sport

WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. 8.00 Morgenmagazin 8.35 Nows in German; Headines in English and Insent Bull Merchanger of Services of Faith 9.15 Good Books 9.30 John Peel 10.00 World News 6.32 Financial News 8.09 Words of Faith 9.15 Good Books 9.30 John Peel 10.00 World News 9.09 Words of Faith 9.15 Good Books 9.30 John Peel 10.00 World News 10.00 Review of the British Press 10.15 The World Today 10.30 Financial News, Sports Roundup 10.45 Network LK 11.01 Assignment 11.30 An Actor's Life for Me 12.00 World News 12.00 World News 12.05 Mon Megazina 1.00 Networkel 1.15 Authorist 2.14.5 Sports Roundup 2.00 World News 2.09 24 Hours News Summary and Financial News About British 12.15 The Farming World 12.30 Mon Megazina 1.00 Networkel 1.15 Authorist 2.14.5 Sports Roundup 2.00 World News 2.09 24 Hours News Summary and Financial News 2.20 Network LK 2.45 Folk in British 3.00 World News 2.010 Networkel 4.15 Music for a While with Fishand Balest 5.00 World News 5.09 News About British 5.15 BEC English 5.30 Heute Aktuell 6.00 World News 8.00 Commentary 6.15 The World Today 6.30 Londres Sor 7.15 BEC English 7.30 Heuse Aktuell 6.00 German Features 8.44 Nows in Gorman 9.00 World News 9.09 The World Today 9.5 World of Faith 9.30 Merchian 10.01 Sports Roundup 10.15 Global Concerns 10.30 The German 11.15 Music Review 1.00 Newsdesk 1.30 Best on Record Commentary 12.10 Financial News 12.05 Financial News 2.20 Folk in Britan 2.45 Global Concerns 3.00 World News 3.09 Review of the British Press 3.15 Seven Seas 3.00 Londrigher 4.00 World News 4.00 Newsdesk 5.00 Newsdesk 5.30 The World Today 5.45 News and Press Review in German

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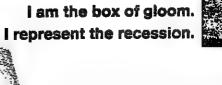
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BSB POWER 7.00em Twenty-one hours of rock and



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I am the box of gloom.



don't be gloomy, open a first direct current account and you can pay your bills over the phone at the last minute, improving your personal cash flow.

but then I'd have to re-name myself the box of optimism.



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centenary tribute to the jezzlenguater methy neets justo decenteriary author to the par-innovator neally gets into its stride tomorrow right with Charles Fox presenting the first of faur saluctions of his recordings Today's profile of fiorton, also presented by Fox, is by way of being the winn on the cake, it's not

> producer Derek Drescher have wdened their programme's appeal by lating up an impressive cast of Morton contemporaries, some remorang his near-legendary reputation, others chapping away at it
> 3.00 Fishguard Festival 1990: BBC
> Weish SO under Tadaaki
> Otakis; Fishguard Philhamnonic
> Choir perform Haydri (The
> Storm, H XXIVa 8), Mozart
> (Symphony No 39 in E flat, K
> 543); Haydri (Paultermesse),
> incl 3.40 Interval Reading
> 4.40 Obce and Piano: Nicholast
> Danet, obce, Julius Drake,
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7.50 Sohe PO under Emil Tabalov performs Tabalov (Ad Infinitum); Paganni (Violin Concerto No 5 in A minor; B.25 Learer from Soits.
Bulgaria's political climate is discussed by journalist Encho Gospodinos; B.45 Sibelius (Symphony No 2 in D. Op 43)
9.40 Baltic Memones (r)
19.00 Music in Our Time: The first of two recordings from last May's

two recordings from last May's Interestional Composers' Rostrum, Artbert Remann (Seven Fragments: Berlin-RSO); Edith Canat de Chizy (Yell: Radio France PO under Michigoshi Inque); Anders Hilborg (Celestral Mechanics: Swedsh RSO under Salonen) 11.00 The Cheerlul Little Earlut: Alya 1.Usi the Cheens Little Earluf Alya Shoton's final programme on Fats Weller (r) – 11.30 Composits of the Week: Monteverdi (r) 12.30 12.35am News 1.00-2.25 Night School (FM only)

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9.50 There Will Be Sunlight Later. Fergal Keene presents a personal impression of life in Northern Intend. He talks to

10.00 News; The Natural History
Programme: Fergus Keeling
and Jessica Holm present
reports on two endangered
species; the puffins of the
Norwegien island of Rost, and
the rhimosess 10.45 An Act of Worship (a) 11.00 News; Citizens (s) 11.25 Tough Cookies: In the third of Two programmes, Jerny Cuffs talks to Sharley McLean, who fled Nazi Germany as a child. After maniage and two children sha had to face the

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people were doing on October 24 in years past, and adds his dary entry for the day (s) (r) 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One 1.40 The Archars (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast Forecast 2.00 News; Worran's Hour: Includes an interview with

cookery writer Amerite Hope
3.00 News; By the Pool (LW only):
Play by Stewart Conn. Pic and
Viv. English expatrates living
in Johannesburg, invite at
Afrikaner couple to join them
for a lew days. With Geoffrey
Whitehead and Jille Meers 4,00 News 4.05 Bookshelf: What made television producer Semend Commell become an author?,

Hisary Spuring talks about her new biography of Paul Scott; and Bernard Levin reveals his

FM as LW except: 3.00-4.00pm Prime Minister's Questions

RADIO 4 4.30 Kaleidoscope: Hungarian singers Le Mystère des volx bulgares, talk about their music; there is an interview music, there is an interview with artist Meggle Hambling; a report on the Sheffield-based Re-Mold Theatre Company, currently fouring with Street Beat, a documentary play about the police; and an interview with disweption! Lucy motoring with order of the street and an interview with disweption! Lucy

about the police; and an interview with playwright Lucy Garnon whose Dancing Attendance opens at the Bush Theatre this week (s) 5.00 PM with Jerny Bond and Wendy Austin 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 5.00 Six O'Clock News, Financial Report 6.30 The Sit-Crow: Sup Limb's so: part comedy set during the civil war (3) (s) (r)

7.00 News 7.05 The Archers

7.20 In the Shadow of . . . Jenny Culte visits four towns and the institutions that have made them tempus, Part 3: Cumdle and its public school 8.00 Analysis: Moneybags and Brains, in the tips of two programmes, Peter Henne mining the cost and penetits to British of its "special relationship" with the United States since 1945. In A Departmency Culture?, he asks whisther successive British policy-makers were deluded

by the transatiantic fixation Does He Take Sugar? Kati Whiteler creaents the magazine for people with 9,15 Kelektoscope (broadcast at 4.30pm) (s) 9.45 The Financial World Tonight with Sam Jaffa (s) 9.59 Weather 10.00 The World Tonight (s) 10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Jonathan,

10.45 A Book at Bedüme: Jonathan, Son of Jeremiah, by Vahan Totovents (4 of 5)
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From Michael Binyon in strasbourg

Commission president, gave a warning yesterday that it would be disastrous if European farm minister fail again tomorrow to agree subsidy cuts and the issue goes to the Rome summit on Saturday.

He said this would set a bad precedent of using summits as courts of appeal, which would wreck EC mechanisms for decision-making It would be "to-tally unproductive."

But a breakthrough might be in sight at tomorrow's Luxembourg meeting. Germany, the chief obstacle to any agreement, yesterday Brussels could promise farmers to cushion the blow of 30 per cent cuts in subsidies. M Delors hinted that Chancellor Kohl had been assured something would be done, though not until the negotiations on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade were out of the

The commission would not change its proposal on farm prices. Nor could the EC change the common agricultural policy and weaken its hand in negotiations with Gatt partners "who are not

Gas men to seek 20% pay rise

Continued from page 1 a total package in which we will gain productivity increases. That makes it an acceptable deal for

Government worries will hardly be eased, however, by the gas workers' decision to push for even higher rises. Eddie Newall, national energy officer for the GMB general union, said the 20 per cent increase was needed to reverse the drastic decline in morale among British Gas staff. "Our claim is just and necessary British Gas is a highly profitable operation that, through the efforts of its staff, achieved a profit marrin of 17 per achieved a profit margin of 17 per cent, or £16,250 per employee last year," he said.

The claim also included demand for a 2.5 hour reduction in the working week to 35 hours and full consolidation of bonus and supplementary payments. The settlement date is not until January, by which time the government hopes that inflation will be on a steady downward trend.

and structure of the claim. "We feel the claim can only be addressed on the basis of the company gaining, in return, improvements in flexibility and changes in working practices."

JACQUES Delors, the European all of good faith" - an implied slur

on the Americans. M Delors strongly opposes Gatt becoming a summit topic because he knows Mrs Thatcher will use the present impasse to discredit moves towards political union. He is anticipating an icy confrontation with Mrs Thatcher. Two weeks ago she was complaining about the way the community took decisions with financial implications for member states without proper preparation. She appeared to be angry over recent Brussels proposals for large-scale aid to the Soviet Union and £1.5 billion in aid to the Gulf front-line

states without prior consultation. Her complaint has further chilled the glacial relations between the two, compounded by M Delors' deep affront at her party conference jibe at letting monetary union "in by the back Delors."

He is therefore eager to avoid a confrontation with Britain on economic and monetary union now. He said yesterday discussion should be kept to a minimum as enough had now been said on this. He implied that attempts to corner Mrs Thatcher could only undermine efforts to win over the

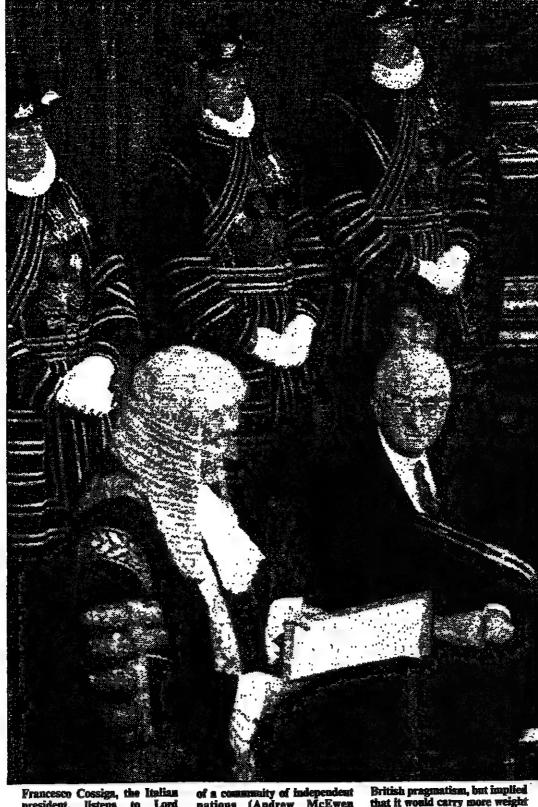
On the crucial question of setting a date for the start of stage two of EMU, he said the subject should be left until December. If possible, this decision should be taken by majority agreement, but not a formal vote which would give Britain a veto.

The date - which he said could be the start of 1993 or 1994 - had now become a crucial test of good faith. Countries with difficulties. such as Greece, could sign up and then negotiate transitional arran-gements for a two-year delay in implementing the provisions. The EC would happily grant these. But this was different from a "two-speed Europe" which is what a British refusal to move on to the next stage would lead to.

M Delors implied that he shared Mrs Thatcher's annoyance at holding Saturday's summit at all. It was not a proper European Council, merely an eight-hour chance for leaders to discuss the Gulf, Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union, on which he will report the commission's findings that direct EC aid is not yet

He said that they should spend about two hours discussing pol-itical union, as this was less advanced than EMU and more preparation was needed before the inter-governmental He also distanced himself from calls for a merger of the Western European Union with the commission.

Leading article, page 17



Francesco Cossign, the Italian president, listens to Lord Mackay of Clashfern, the Lord Chancellor, during a visit to the House of Lords yesterday . Signor Cossiga, one of Europe's elder statesmen, took Margaret Thatcher to task yesterday, four of a community of independent nations (Andrew McEwen

Without mentioning the prime minister by same, Signor

British pragmatism, but implied that it would carry more weight if it was accompanied by idealism in the future. The Italian president, who is on a four-day state visit, added: "This idealism is more than ever necessary to overcome the real hurdles to the construction of a united Europe." Political sketch

Labour's mutant turtle in the soup

lines is to outline Wednesday's press, including the tabloids, for BBC's Breakfast News programme. So I know all about teensge mutant bero turdes - a comic-strip cult currently sweep-ing school playgrounds. These pizza-eating creatures have names like Michaelangelo, Leo-

nardo and Donatello. That is why, staring down yesterday at Gerald Kaufman, Labour's principal foreign affairs spokesman, I felt a strange sense of deja vu. Where had I seen that smooth, shiny, domed head, those heavy-lidded, unblinking eyes, that craning forward of the neck? You guessed! This was parliament's own middle-aged mutant hero turtle. This was Geraldo.

One feels (to vary the amphibian theme) that Mr Kaufman is waiting for someone to kiss him, whereupon he will turn into a handsome prince. But nobody ever does. Might this be his lucky

Douglas Hind resisted the temptation. In the hope of trip-ping up the foreign secretary, Geraldo had asked one of those devilishly clever questions which are too devilish to be all that

Why was Mrs Thatcher in favour of first use of nuclear weapons when the Nato summit was against? The turtle offered quotations from relevant documents. Would Mr Hurd now denounce his boss?

An unlikely princess, the foreign secretary peered at the amphibian. The rt hon gentleman has earned a reputation for selective quotation. I see some highlighted bits on his papers; whether they are the bits left in or the bits left out I do not know." When it comes to batting a tendentious question good-humouredly aside, nobody has a surer touch than Mr Hurd.

He is complemented by a strong team. Minister of state William Waldegrave plays the hot-headed romantic to his master's even-tempered sage. The hammer (in recent months) of the Romanians, Mr Waldegrave declined a backbench suggestion that he pronounce Romania cured of its recent vices. For, to Waldegrave, an invitation to

attack. Labour's Max Madden (Bradford W) has already torn his trousers on the barbed wire while attempting to sit on the fence over Salman Rushdie, and now tried the same painful operation over imports from the third world. These were undermining the industry in his constituency.

Most ministers would wring their hands in a display of impotent sympathy. Waldegrave told Madden that we must sometimes "sacrifice our own sectoral interests in the interests of help-

ing poorer countries".

He was joined by two new ministers. Tristan Garel-Jones (lately of the whips' office) and Mark Lennox-Boyd.

They threw Lennox-Boyd in the deep end with Aids and Cambodia; but he was soon trilling away about leaflets on heterosexual sex, the advisability of condoms and the inadvisability of Pol Pot.

I watched Garel-Jones. He was plotting. His brow knitted in concentration as Labour's Kate Hoey (Vanxhall) - on a question about Israel — caused something to jar in the brain as her unmistakeably Ulster accent de-nounced the concept of settlement in occupied territories.

We moved on. And now came We moved on. And now came a sweet moment for Mr GarelJones. Last Friday, Dennis Skinner had called him a "cryptojackboot". Yesterday, on a
question about weighted voting
in the EC, Skinner thought to
make it a triple. Here was a
minister whose last job was
kicking backbenchers into line,
sounding off about democracy. sounding off about democracy.

"Was the minister of state in favour of weighted voting when he was the deputy chief whip?" Garel-Jones hardly paused. "In those days, as he [Skinner] well knows, I was in favour of hon members supporting their party.

A lesson he might take himself."

Skinner crumpled. Five minutes later, Jones went for the kill. "Not only did he vote against his party more often than any other Labour member, but he had one of the highest records in favour. This was because of his assiduous

Even Labour enjoyed it.

MATTHEW PARRIS

Brandt not to follow in Heath's footsteps

IN A rare agreement, leaders of Germany's four main political parties agreed yesterday that it was not immediately appropriate to ask Willy Brandt to follow Edward Heath's example and fly to Iraq to plead just for the release of hostages. Only if he can be assured mediator for an overall settlement is he likely to agree to go.

The German government is to wait until after discussing the matter at the weekend EC summit in Rome before deciding whether

to approve a visit by Herr Brandt a Nobel peace prizewinner and current president of the Socialist International, whom Iraq has unofficially invited to Beghdad. The government view is that it would be wrong to ask him to go unless the summit considers this efforts to bring about a peaceful solution.

Helmut Kohl, the chancellor, does not believe a visit like Mr Heath's would be helpful.

WEATHER

sonshine and showers.

MIDDAY: t=thunder, d=dnz

ABROAD

Gene law passed, page 15

£5bn package for young and old

ler, a former social services secretary and a strong supporter of child benefit, and Sir Ian Gilmour, one of the most powerful critics of past failures to uprate the benefit, were among those who welcomed Mr Newton's announcement.

Mr Newton said that child benefit would remain a "strong element" in Tory policies of family support. But, he added, that did not exclude "other ways" that the reintroduction of child tax allowances or some further tinkering with the existing regime remains on the cards.

Michael Meacher, Labour's chief social security spokesman,

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fit. He said that the Tories had fixfeited any commitment to be the party of the family by again breaking their manifesto pledge. The average family with three children would be £300 a year worse off even after Mr Newton's partial uprating Labour is com-mitted to restoring the payment for all children to its 1987 value, equivalent now to £9.50.

£i a week was not much compensation for a mother giving up a ob worth £100 a week.

Child welfare organisations condemaed Mr Newton's failure to do more for children. The Save the.

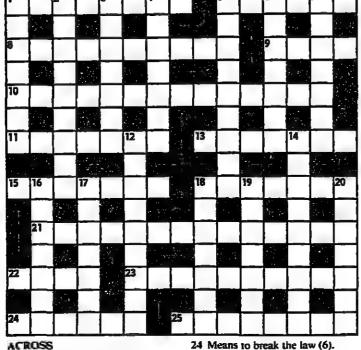
launched a scathing attack on Mr Children Fund said: "The govern-Newton's formula for child bene-ment has missed an opportunity ment has missed an opportunity to demonstrate proper support for the family." The director of the Child Pov-

erty Action Group, Fran Bennett, said. "The £1 increase for the first child is a poor second best in comparison with general uprating for all children and an incresse in one-parent benefit for single par-

Organisations representing the deriy welcomed the increases for income support in nursing homes but gave a warning that the £5 rise for residential care homes would lead to more homes closing or owners refusing to care for income support claimants.

PM

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,434



- 1 Where churchwardens may
- 5 Wood pigeon in copper's helmet
- 8 Sign of letter missing, with re-9 Dismissed after one run and
- overthrow (4). 10 One may case the joint (9-5). 11 Manor-house and land needs me
- to get organised (7). 13 Distemper for grim apartment
- (4.3).15 Wife-beater appearing for trial after free-for-all (5-2).
- 18 Set about murder with frying-
- 21 Cause of the big bang? Origin
- recently rewritten (5-9). 22 Network free after midnight (4).
- 23 Reverse for paper following opposition (10).

Solution to Puzzle No 18.433

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- 1 Old shell containing ammu nition for shooters? (7).
- 2 He takes his course from the bar at noon (9).
- 3 Counters for laboratory vessels
- 4 Carroll's joyful blend? (7). 5 Fair dealer, though shoddy (9).
- 6 Scriabin's first trio copied, but played badly (7).
- 7 There is water air-conditioned. in such tanks (7). 12 He is abnormally nervous, note.
- in run-up over Ringway (9). 14 Everything one stuffed into faded cover for mattress (9).
- 16 Rattle? French article with brass at the bottom (7).
- 17 Unusual dialect in Dover Castle. say (7). 18 Gloomy in nasty grant's lair? (7)

19 Where witnesses may find the

figures on the sheet spectacular? (3-4). 20 Strains without opening locks

Coacise Crossword, page 19

WORD-WATCHING A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct? By Philip Howard KALEIDOGYN

- c. A mirror VILIPENDING A rendering valueless
 Henging suspended
 Walting for service
- KVETCH Resistate but chocolate cream c. To complain or whinge
- GORSEDD L A gorse forest b. A meeting of draids c. A gorse-bead or idiot

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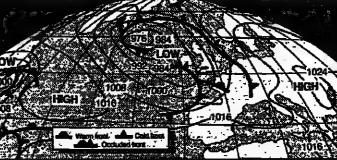
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BUSINESS

Executive Editor David Brewerton

Smiths not interested in buying Ferranti

SMITHS Industries, the aerospace, medical systems and turer, has looked at and rejected Ferranti Internationthe troubled defence electronics group, Roger Hurn, the chief executive and managing director, has

Smiths has a "war chest" of £115 million in cash to spend on acquisitions, the company announced along with its full year figures. But Mr Hurn would not say if an immediate purchase was in prospect. Smiths made £120 million

to 9.9p.
Of the three divisions, only aerospace, affected by strikes which cost about £5 million in the first half, failed to raise profits and the decrease in that division was just £300,000 at the operating level, to £59.7

Mr Hurn said the purchase of a company which did 100 per cent of its business in the defence sector was unlikely. But the rash of failed leveraged buyouts in America in. particular was giving rise to interesting opportunities.

Saunders' move Sandy Saunders, the company doctor, is to become chairman of Sunleigh, the troubled USM-quoted leisure products and industrial equipment

tax of £191,000 for the six months to end-lune, compared with profits of £1.41 million for the first half of 1989. There is a loss of 0.25p a share, against earnings of 3.21p. No interim dividend is being paid (0.75p).

NSM stake sold

Smith New Court, the broker, has successfully placed Anglo United's 20.6 per cent stake in NSM, the coal mining to building products group, at 69%p a share. The net proceeds of £32.1 million will go towards reducing Anglo's debt mountain, now put at about

THE POUND US dollar 1.9555 (+0.0095) German mark 2 9491 (-0.0055) Exchange index

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Major indices and major changes Page 32

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BT calls for more telecoms competition

TELEPHONE calls could become cheaper, at the price of higher rental

charges, says British Telecom.

Iain Vallance, the BT chairman, said yesterday the company is making a "vigorous" case for more competition in the relephone network but there has to be a change in the "complex web of regulation. In its submission to the govern-ment's review of the telephone duspoly between BT and Mercury,

BT calls for telephone markets to be opened up to all. But the price, for domestic consumers, is an end to the £2 billion-ayear cross-subsidy they receive from

its business customers: BT says the

blow could be softened for most cus-

have choice and subsidy on that scale, nor can you have proper competition with a subsidy on that scale. We are pressing enthusiastically for more customer choice, more price competition, and for less protectionism, both at home and abroad."

culmination of a long-running campaign to break the strait-jacket imposed on its business opportunities by public service attitudes, obligations and price-structures. Mr Vallance believes the freemarket theme running through the

document will receive a sympathetic

hearing from government. Official

The BT submission is the

panies to supply cable television, and restructure their call charges.

Mr Vallance said: "You cannot

proposals for a new approach to telecommunications markets are expected within a fortnight from Peter Lilley, the trade secretary.

Mr Vallance also urged the government to press American authorities to allow British telecommunications companies into domestic American markets while taking the chance to allow greater access for American competitors here. But he insisted they had no need of "feather-bedding" to match BT's financial and technical muscle. The government's duopoly review is the first large rethink on telecommunications policy since Mercury was set up to take on BT seven years ago.

In the intervening years, advances in technology and massive growth in use and applications of telecom-

market place. Mr Vallance insisted that privatisation, and the introduction of competition from Mercury.

had been a qualified success. Mercury had succeeded in winning 30 per cent of the lucrative market for long-distance business calls, but spurned unprofitable domestic customers. In its duopoly submission, BT claims it fails to make an "adequate" return from 80 per cent of its customers. Business users are over-charged for calls to support domestic customers who do not meet the real cost of maintaining relatively little-used lines.

In theory, domestic rental charges, now at £19.70 a quarter should double, he said. In practice, BT argues that more flexible pricing

enable it to sell sufficient extra services to domestic customers to make virtually all lines economic.

BT wants open competition in local and national markets. Cable television companies, 90 per cent of which are controlled by large American telecommunicationss companies, have licences to serve 70 per cent of Britain's population with

telephones as well as television. BT wants the right to match them with television and other services, and says television and cable operators should be able to buy use of each other's lines, avoiding expensive duplication of investment, by the end of 1993,

in the year to August 4, up from £111.7 million in the previous year. A final dividend of 6.3p raises the total 1p to 9.9p. Britain on pay restraint

By Philip Bassett, industrial editor

THE government's view that unit labour costs must be reduced in the wake of Britain's entry to the exchangerate mechanism if compentiveness is not to be lost is being challenged by European Commission evidence.

Since Britain joined the ERM, ministers and employers have stressed that wage settlements must be reduced in order to bring down British labour costs.

Speaking to the annual con-

Personnel Management yes-terday, Michael Howard, the was told that since ERM employment secretary, attacked employers and unions ognised that they could afford rises in unit labour costs of no reaching high pay settlements.

He said that "the present He added that if sense did

upward trend in our unit wage costs is acutely dangerous to our economic prospects" because it is making Britain

much less competitive. The Confederation of British Industry supported this view. John Banham, the direc-

CBI takes issue over 'severe' recession talk

By OUR INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

survey next week.

Whitehall and elsewhere to be among the most valuable indicators of current industrial performance, and its findings often have a considerable impact on the markets.

Next week's survey, covering September, is expected to indicate that so far, the constraint on demand from high imerest rates has not pushed Britain into a deep recession.

its findings will contrast sharply with the results of a survey from the Association of Chambers of Commerce published yesterday which suggested Britain is already in a "severe" recession.

John Banham, CBI direc-

EVIDENCE that Britain is not tor-general, would not predict in a severe recession is likely the findings of the latest CBI to be presented by the Confedsurvey, to be published next eration of British Industry in Tuesday, but he said on the its monthly industrial trends basis of its results, he would argue strongly with the word severe". The survey will show that although investment is falling, it is doing so nowhere nearly as severly as

> Investment is being cut back in plant and equipment, but not that much in training and innovation. While there is a cutback in investment, it is from a high level, and annual investment figures are expected to show that overall investment is still at an all-

in the recessions of 1974 and

time high for this year. The confederation has called for business and goverament to make energy savings worth up to £8 billion

entry, employers had recognised that they could afford

not prevail, there could be an extra 1 million unemployed by this time next year.

However, all these statements are apparently contradicted by evidence from the commission that will be raised at next week's meeting of the Economic Development Council when it discusses pay, productivity and jobs.

In a report on Employment in Europe 1990, the commission casts doubt on the argument promoted by the government and the CBL

The report says: "There is little evidence of any close relationship between relative labour costs and competitiveness, as manifested in the trade performance of each member state in the community market."

It says that those countries experiencing the lowest rates of increase in unit labour cost have not necessarily expanded their share of trade within the commission more than others. The report says: "This reflects the fact that competitiveness is determined by many factors apart from wages."

Costs of production, including labour costs, are only one element in the competitive process, the commission says, "Non-cost adding:

factors...can be equally if not more important and are likely to become increasingly relevant as real income



Working closely with the Soviet Union: Jacques Attali at the shareholders' meeting

Attali rules out change

JACQUES Attali, the presi-status. At present, the Soviet by the end of the year No retorms in East Europe, has ruled out any changes to the bank's shareholders at Lanbank's constitution for the caster House, London, M

Mùnchau). M Attali's comments were Soviet Union might be under-Republics, if they were to gain independence, could find themselves outside the scope of the bank. He made it clear

dent-designate of the Euro- Union has a 6 per cent stake in decision has yet been taken on pean Bank, which is to help the bank, about the same as the 2 per cent stake held by the with political and economic Britain, France and Germany former East Germany, after Following a meeting of the

time being (writes Wolfgang Attali said: "We are working closely with the government of the Soviet Union. We have made amid criticism that the to build relations with municipalities, with regional governrepresented and that the Baltic ments and decentralised authshareholder That is the Soviet Union."

M Attali announced the that the Baltic Republics shareholders had agreed to expected to make a profit by would not gain shareholder appoint five vice-presidents

ine German government cided not to increase its

London, will employ 200 to

M Attali said that the bank would become involved in a large number of small deals. onties. But we have only one rather than concentrate on a few large projects. The bank. which is scheduled to start work in March next year, is

Warning on power float risk 'may be hidden'

By MARTIN WALLER

THE government may choose to conceal the true risk to investors in the power industry float to ensure the issue does not flop, according to Friends of the Earth, the environmental pressure group. It has a leaked draft of the pathfinder prospectus for the £4.7 billion sale of the 12 electricity distribution

companies. Simon Roberts, FoE's energy campaigner, claims, "The question now is whether the government will meet its legal obligation to ensure that the warpings remain clear, or choose to bury them in weasel words in the final prospectus."

The pathfinder prospectus is due on November 2 FoE says that a draft, dated last month, contains a "health warning" to potential inves-tors, warning them that profits could take a sudden downturn if the sums the companies use in setting their fixed-price contracts with some customers change significantly. for example because of tougher environmental legislation. But the warning is contained in square brackets in the document, indicating that the passage is provisional

"There is a clear signal to the effect that improvements in energy efficiency could be bad news for the financial position of the regional electricity companies," Mr Roberts says The government has said for some time that improved efficiency is the best way to combai global warm-

ing, he adds.
The industry's aim is to maximise profits by selling power, but the level of consumption and price of its sole product could be seriously affected by forthcoming environmental legislation.

An adviser to the float dismissed FoE's claim as "yel another botched attempt to misquote and misinform" although he did not deny that details of the leaked document were correct. He claimed the "health warning" would appear in the eventual pathier bui not in thai

 The government is likely to confirm today or tomorrow that it intends to sell all of the distribution industry. But it will retain the option to change its mind and float just 60 per cent if market conditions deteriorate before next month's full prospectus. The government is refusing pleas from the industry and the City to include a binding commitment to sell all of the industry in the pathfinder prospectus.

Polly Peck board meets to hear Nadir evidence

man, left it until the last the appointment of an admin-minute to join the emergency istrative receiver.

group and the Sheraton Voy-ager hotel, are the main lines board meeting called to determine the future of his troubled fresh fruit to electronics

Mr Nadir had been expected to fly back to London on Tuesday night from his three-day trip to Turkey and northern Cyprus, where he had been trying to find the nearly £30 million required by the company's increasingly impatient bankers. If the money was not forthcoming, either Polly Peck's own direccommittee' representing the

of NatWest's central London

space strategy. This is a four-

year plan to move many of the

bank's central staff to cheaper

space in King's Cross, and

the bank's staff, however, can their profits.

In the event, the board meeting started without Mr Nadir. When he finally arrived. Mr Nadir was expected to say whether he had been successful in raising the money required.

Speculation about the difficulties Mr Nadir was facing was heightened by comments he was reported to have made in Istanbul. Mr Nadir said Polly Peck's Turkish assets would be protected from extors or the 10-member steering ternal intervention. "Polly Peck subsidiaries in Turkey interests of more than 60 such as the Vestel electronics £1 billion.

ASIL Nadir, Polly Peck chair- banks, was expected to seek group. Meyna agriculture be protected."

> some £70 million of borrowings. But the agreement also required interim repayments, with about £30 million due by

of interest for us and they will Under the standstill arrangement agreed three weeks ago. Polly Peck had until November 9 to repay

At the original meeting with the banks. Mr Nadir had indicated that Polly Peck had about £70 million on deposit in northern Cyprus. In all Polly Peck's debts total over

Severn Trent appeals on Caird bid

By MARTIN BARROW

SHARES in Caird Group, the waste disposal company, fell 8p to 47p after a 100p-a-share cash offer by Severn Trent formally lapsed. Severn has appealed against a Takeover Panel ruling which prevents it from launching a new take-over bid at a lower price within 12 months. A decision is expected to-

morrow but some quarters believe that it is unlikely the appeal will succeed. The privatised water company, which holds almost 30 per cent of Caird's ordinary

shares and is nursing a paper loss of £8 million, is now reviewing its options, including securing Caird's support for a lower offer. Meanwhile. Caird is pro-

ceeding with plans to strengthen its board of directors in an effort to restore its image in

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may be increased by exchange rate movements.

NatWest en route to King's Cross

By Neil Bennett, Banking Correspondent NATIONAL Westminster ming pool, which runs under 375,000 sq ft of offices as well presence in London to attract Rank is leaving its head office. Old Broad Street in the centre as the branch below. The site quality staff," he said. The Bank is leaving its head office Old Broad Street in the centre as the branch below. The site was first occupied by London

in the City after more than 150 of the City, is not affected. NatWest will leave Lothyears. The move is part of the bury in 1993. The directors, including Lord Alexander of bank's plans to lease or sell off 600,000 sq ft of space in the City to save up to £35 million Weedon, the chairman, will move to offices in the The closure of the head Nat West tower nearby. office at 41. Lothbury, is part

The decision to leave Lothbury comes after Barclays started to redevelop its Lottibard Street headquarters this year. Midland Bank is also reported to be considering chief executive of support close four of its main City leaving its head office in branches. The company will Poultry. The sacrifice of prime leaving its head office in give staff details of the move City offices comes when all the banks are struggling to The sports-minded among contain costs and support

The present building dates from 1932. NatWest has applied for planning permission for a 160,000 sq ft building in King's Cross to move central staff. The bank already has space in four buildings in the

Bert Morris, NatWest's services, said that rents in

bank says it is not worried & Westminster Bank in 1834. about letting the vacant space.

ches are already undergoing a complex reorganisation. Four - Threadneedle Street, Lombard Street, St Mary Axe, and "We looked at moving out- Cornhill - are merging with side London but the demo- other branches after a series of

King's Cross are less than half the £85 per sq ft cost of City rest easy. The bank's swim- Lothbury's closure will free graphics told us we needed a moves.

But it has already run into difficulties in selling the lease on its Drapers Gardens tower block near the International Stock Exchange. This contained County NatWest, the securities arm, but has been empty since August when the firm moved into the Broadgate development. NatWest's large City bran-

trusts

IVORY & Sime, the investment manager, has reported disappointing results from its asset trusts in a difficult market. Shares in Ivory & Sime fell 7p to 58p.

Pre-tax revenue at British Assets Trust, Ivory & Sime's largest investment trust, advanced from £18.9 million to £22.2 million in the year to end-September. Earnings per share rise from 3.56p to 4.17p. Shareholders will receive a final dividend of 1p, making a total of 3.85p (3.30p) for the

Pre-tax revenue at Investors Capital Trust, British Assets Trust's investment subsidiary, increased from £15.4 million to £16.5 million in the year. Earnings per share rose from 4.61p to 4.95p. There is a final dividend of 1.25p. making an increased total of 4.85p

Pre-tax revenue at First £95,000 (£147,000) in the six months to end-September Earnings per share declined from 0.12p to 0.07p. As usual, there is no interim dividend.

Lionheart to tackle deficit

LIONHEART, the housewares, retail systems and DIY group, plans a capital reorganisation to eliminate a £1.9 million deficit on its profit and loss account.

The capital reorganisation, which has to be approved by shareholders and the High Court, will mean that Lionbeart will be able to pay dividends out of future earcings. The company expects to clear preference dividend arrears during 1991. Lionheart returned to profit this year following extensive reshaping.

Paul Lever, executive chairman, said the move will enable the company to contique its development process. Shares were unchanged at 18p.

European Land heads £2bn project

By Christopher Warman PROPERTY CORRESPONDENT

PLANS for a £2 billion housing, business and leisure project in northern Spain were announced in London by an English-led international development group.

The project, Parque Valle be undertaken by European Land, through a subsidiary, European Land Espana, in a igint venture with the regional government of Castilla y Leon, the provincial govern ment of Palencia, and Gestur. Palencia, business park managers.

Ivory asset OFT warns lenders disappoint and brokers against targeting debtors

LENDERS and brokers have and the failure to explain that been warned they may lose high brokerage fees could be their consumer credit licences charged and deducted from if they continue to target the loan. It made it clear that people in debt or with a any lenders or brokers enhistory of debt to offer new gaged in such practices were loans, Sir Gordon Borrie, the placing their consumer credit director-general of Fair Trad- licences at risk. ing, revealed yesterday. Speaking at a conference on consolidation loans were ofcredit and debt in the 1990s at fered that the borrowers the University of Sheffield, Sir understood the full con-

Fight attempts to

undermine 1992,

says business chief

STRONG support for full full EMU would not be easy.

economic and monetary Completion of the internal

union was given yesterday by market in the European

the principal European Community was the single

employers' body, coupled most important element on

with a clear warning on back- the Euro-business agenda. He

door restrictions being in-said the concept of 1992 had troduced against the 1992 already boosted investment

Employers' Confederations of up, so-called precautionary or

of priorities for employers for troduced which could provide

the Nineties. Unice's prior- the pretext to shut with the left

ities have been drawn up hand the door that has just

following a survey of the been opened with the right organisation's 32 member hand." Business must resist

Carlos Ferrer, president of

the Union of Industrial and

Europe (Unice), laid out a list

employers' federations across

Europe, including both EC and Efta countries.

Speaking to the monthly

council meeting of the CBL,

Mr Ferrer insisted that it was

crucial for business to play a key role in the public policy

debate to help shape Europe's

He said: "Europe is still like

a piece of modelling clay

which many hands are trying

to shape." He gave warning that legislators still put too

many obstacles in the way of

Europe, Sedor Ferrer, chair-

creating a single market."

PRODUCT RECALL NOTIFICATION

Blue Box Ltd have learned of a possible fault with a

for product being sold under the names of Activity Doggie

the complete product (including the straps) to the address

below where it will be modified and returned at no charge.

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or Plan Donnie, which may prove hazardous.

All postage and packaging will be

Blue Box Toy Factory (UK) Ltd.

Rughy Mill. Gorse Street,

Chadderton, Oldham, Lancs,

retunded. Return to:

The item is sold in two different packages: Blue Box Activity Doggie and Chad Valley Play Doggie. As a precautionary measure, anyone who has one of these tons should remove it from use immediately and send those who already have serious debt problems. The letter outlined alleged

of inappropriate and some-times "catastrophic loans"

But he said: "In some of the

markets that are being opened

crisis measures are being in-

such undermining of the 1992

priorities for business were

obtaining a more favourable

climate for enterprise, supporting economic and so-cial cohesion, the challenge of

change in east Europe, promoting the creation of an

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space, restricting the EC social

dimension and promoting bal-anced environmental policies.

Senor Ferrer said the other

programme, he said.

Gordon said that the Office of sequences and were aware of Fair Trading (OFT) had this the risks. With such loans, a person month sent a warning letter to firms marketing credit to with debts could borrow enough money to clear their existing debts and have only one payment to the loan malpractices, including failure company to meet each month. to assess ability to pay, offers These loans are usually over a longer period than the original debts and the monthly pay-

rower's home, which means if they do not keep up the payments they could lose their home.

ments should work out cheaper, although the amount of interest paid over the term

of the loan could be substan-

It was important where

The firms approached by the OFT included those using mailing lists of debtors with county court judgments publishing advertisements aimed specifically at people with debt problems.

Sir Gordon said that debt problems may still affect only a small minority, but the level of default had risen and was significant and disturbing.

The OFT has also sent warning letters to businesses approaching tenants about their right to buy their council homes. Deceptive sales techniques had been used to persuade tenants to buy their homes when the salesman really wanted to sell expensive and often inappropriate pack-ages including endowment policies and home improve-

Lack of compliance with credit advertising regulations in the national press, especially tabloid newspapers, had led the director to remind they too could be prosecuted for publishing non-complying or misleading advertisements.



Growth call: Sam Smith, Bimec's chairman, yesterday

Bimec soars 122% to £2.1m for half year

BIMEC Industries, the aerospace engineering, water treatgroup that has been built up from the ruins of Biomechanics International, has reported a 122 per cent increase in pre-tax profits for the half year to end-September. The figures, which are the first since the company

moved from the Unlisted Securities Market to the main market in August, show tax-able profits of £2.1 million, against £900,000 last time. The interim dividend is 51 per

cent ahead at 0.5p.
Sam Smith, the chairman,

slowdown AMERICAN durable goods orders fell by an unexpectedly high 1.7 per cent in September with transport orders down by 6.8 per cent.

The figures, further evidence of the slowing economy, come after an August decline of 0.8 per cent and helped to end the bond market down slightly, with the 30 year Treasury bond down to yield 8.8 per cent after opening at 8.79 per-cent ... Durable goods orders have fallen 0.5 per cent in the first nine months this year compared with last year and Dr Neil Soss, a First Boston economist, said: "If we excluded aircraft orders the decline would be much greater. But it must be remembered the US economy is suffering a sclerosis type downtum rather than any dramatic slump."

The September figures do not include Boeing's record \$22 billion order from United Airlines, which brought its orders for aircrafts to 57 last Orders for non-defence capital goods rose 6.3 per cent, which indicates American

said the company would continue to pursue rapid organic ment and air conditioning and acquisition driven growth, building on its three existing divisions. The company aims to achieve turnover of about £50 million in each of its divisions within four years. Group sales were £24 million in the first half.

Bimec has made ten acquisitions since a rescue rights issue began its transformation in 1988 and has half-year borrowings of £1.4 million and gearing of 19 per cent. Mr Smith said all three divisions were still experiencing strong demand.

Figures | Capital point | Leasing to US | near to BNP deal

From JOHN DURIE By JONATHAN PRYNN IN NEW YORK. "

CAPITAL Leasing is believed to be close to completing a deal with Banque Nationale de Paris that will lead to a takeover offer for the loss-

making Irish company.

Shares in Capital were suspended at 18:5p yesterday, valuing the company at Ir£5.6 million (£5:09 million). Two weeks ago, Capital announced it was in bid talks with a small number of potential buyers.

Peter Sherry, the finance director, said negotiations with one of the parties were approaching completion, but would not disclose the identity of the bidder. The company last month announced pre-tax losses of Ir£1.8 million, caused by higher bad debt provisions for its British operations.

The deal is thought to involve the sale of a 67 per cent stake in the company held by DCC, the Irish broker. The sale will trigger an open offer from BNP for the rest of the group.

A spokesman for BNP said

she could neither confirm nor deny that the bank was talking to Capital Leasing. The Irish nounce the deal before in annual meeting today.

Capital Leasing came on to
the Unlisted Securities Market

the monthly figures compare through a placing in December 1988. with a drop of 9.9 per cent in August.
Shipments of durable goods

Pennant halted Administrative receivers have been appointed at Pennant Properties, the international property development group, The company's shares were suspended at 1½p late on

Tuesday "pending clarifica-tion of the company's financial position". The shares had been tracing at 38p earlier this year.

'UK inflation will fall' By COLIN NARBROUGH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

BRITAIN will achieve and by Midland Montagu identi-sustain core inflation below 4 fies membership of the exper cent in the Nineties, irrespective of the political party in power, Roger Bootle, the chief economist at Midland Montagu, said.
He told a City seminar that

companies are still investing in new capital equipment, but

Wall Street had expected

durable goods orders to show

a slight increase, but the markets slipped in early trad-

ing on-a combination of the

worse than expected figures, a

rebound in oil prices and

growing concern about the failure of Congress and the White House to reach an

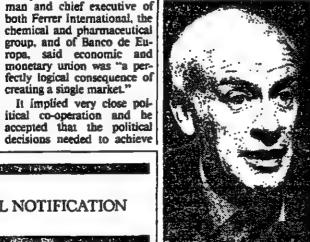
fell by 3 per cent.

this would be against a Special Savings Accounts to favourable worldwide intla help restrain domestic tionary background, A study demand.

change-rate mechanism of the **European Monetary System as** a key building block. It also says that the govern

ment should radically extend

Medeva in £18m drugs sale



By PRILIP PANGALOS company, is selling its overthe-counter range of drugs, which include Dequadin, Mycil and Nylax, to Crookes Healthcare, a subsidiary of

Boots, for £18.5 million. The consideration will consist of £15 million in cash on completion and £3.5 million navable within two years.

The sale will enhance Medeva's pro forma net asset

value by about £16 million. Medeva's OTC drugs made operating profits of £1.24 million in the year to end-June on

sales of £3.82 million. Bernard Taylor, Medeva's chairman, who was a former

MEDEVA, the medical re- chief executive of Glaxo, said strengthen the company's financial position and enable it to take advantage of invest-

ment opportunities. Production at the company's Bradford, West York-shire, plant will continue until the factory's closure late next

After closure costs and expenses, net sales proceeds are expected to be £18 million. The sale should be completed this year, but is unlikely to have a significant effect on the

Medeva's shares firmed by 4p to 70p on the news.

Brent Walker faces deadline By MARTIN WALLER BRENT Walker, the leisure notice. A spokesman for Brent was because of the extreme

serict timetable.



chairman and chief executive, must publish details of its complexity of the issue, which he described as a "lawyers" controversial convertible bond issue and reveal the minefield".

identities of the participating He added: "There's nothing shareholders by the start of serious in it. It's going to happen. Smith New. Court pext week. (Brent Walker's broker) says The deadline, rather firmer than the series of self-imposed targets the group has missed.

the money is guaranteed."

Meanwhile, Brent Walker is imposed by the Interhas been granted approval by national Stock Exchange's the Office of Fair Trading for the management buyout of the company's Goldcrest film Shareholders must approve the issue by the time the offshoot

exchange grants a listing — by The company hopes to pro-November 15 at the latest vide details of the deal along and the necessary sharehold- with those for its convertible ers' meeting needs two weeks' issue.

East's gloomy super-savers are hungry to spend

HUNGARIANS are among the most pessimistic East Europeans, despite the country's reputation for being the region's fastest economic reformer, according to an East European consumer survey conducted by MAI information Group, the market research company, on behalf of 12 multinational companies.

East Germans and Yugoslavians are the most optimistic, while Russians join the Hungarians as themost pessimistic about the quality of life in the next five years. MAI claims its survey is the first in-depth

analysis of consumer behaviour and attitudes

in East Europe. The people of the area have among the highest savings ratios in the world - about 20 per cent - which is partly due to short supplies of some luxury products. This compares with a savings ratio of about 8 per cent in Britain.

The most coveted product in East Europe remains the Western car and, perhaps surprisingly, video recorders, which are more popular than other durables, such as washing machines, freezers, and even colour television

The survey also brings good news for the West's tobacco producers, as Western cigarettes are among the goods East Europeans" desire most. Many products that have become less fashionable in the West will be in strong demand, as East Europeans appear to desire not only tobacco (54 per cent of Yugoslavs. claim to be regular smokers), but also alcohol, soft drinks and sweets. The best known western brands in the region are Pepsi Cola, followed by Coca Cola, and Nescale.

East Europe should also be a good market for breweries, as beer is the most popular alcoholic drink. The easterns Germans top the league world-wide, with one third of consumers drinking beer every day while 63 per .

cent drink at least once a week. Des Europeans also like cakes, biscuits and chocolate.

One of the strangest findings of the survey is that while a holiday in Southern Europe, or even further affield, is regarded as desirable throughout the region, the Poles say their favourite holiday location is Poland, followed by Belgium and Luxembourg.

Mia Bartonová, the managing director of MAL said that Britain's efforts to invest in East Europe were "minimal". The most eager to invest were the West Germans, followed by the Austrians and the Italians.

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It is just as well that the British Telecom submission to the "duopoly review" is designed to sell ideas to the government rather than shares to the public. The picture BT paints of itself in the submission is not a pretty one, for it depicts a company barely covering the cost of its capital and suffering a heavy cash outflow each year, with mounting gearing.

The picture, of course, is selective, but it is nevertheless accurate, and demonstrates the difficulty of providing a com-modity service in an era of high interest rates. BT's return on capital employed has been edging up since privatisation, from 19.5 per cent in the year to March 31, 1986, to 21.2 per cent in the latest financial year. Much of the increase has come, as it had to, from the progressive improvement in BT's efficiency, and the upwards curve is gradually flattening as each step towards greater efficiency becomes more difficult to achieve.

Against that 21.2 per cent return on capital, BT puts its cost of capital at between 22.5 per cent and 24.5 per cent. Capital

The two faces of British Telecom

more than £3 billion a year, excluding such questionable investments as the stake in McCaw. This is not covered by cash flow. City history is littered with the corporate corpses of companies who lived beyond

their means. Clever companies

expenditure at BT is running at

these days manage for cash. The figures in the submission are, of course, genuine enough and there is reason to be concerned at the growth in BT's gearing. Companies that invest in assets that have to be written down substantially as soon as they are purchased really should try to keep their investment, over the long term, within their operational cash flow. Otherwise,

borrowings simply mount.
But beyond that, BT is in fact sitting rather pretty. There is still considerable scope for increases in productivity, improvements arising both from the investment programme and from the gradual elimination of all the Spanish

COMMENT

DAVID BREWERTON

practices which characterised the old nationalised monopoly. It is likely that the government will have to give way to BT's demand for charging flexibility in the light of the well-presented argument on the "cross-subsidy" which takes place between providing the lines and selling the calls. "Calls" are subsidising "access" to the tune of about £2 billion a year, and one of the first moves towards the introduction of further competition will have to be to address that imbalance. It can only be to BT's advantage.

The current rating of BT shares, a prospective price/earnings ratio of about 8 or a 15 per cent discount to the market average, suggests too little attention is being paid to the

prospective benefits to arise both from the outcome of the review and from the high rate of capital

Caird debacle

The Takeover Panel should keep out of the man-oeuvring for position in the wake of the Caird bid debacle. Barring the entry of a brave third party, the sensible solution is for a new lower bid to be negotiated. effectively with the waste group's remaining shareholders over the head of the board.

apparently opportunism of John Bellak's Severn Trent in dashing in a bid just after Caird's dismal profit

and forecast wrecked its street credibility in the fashionable green sector has, thus far, merely garnered some of the egg from the face of Peter Linacre, the chairman of Caird. With Caird shares down to 47p on the withdrawal of the water group's 100p bid, Severn sits on an £8 million loss on its 29.9 per cent stake.

Mr Bellak and Samuel Montagu, his bankers, were none the less prescient in inserting a prominent condition in the offer that the forecast be confirmed. On a more sober accounting view, Mr Linacre failed to deliver. The blame will rest solely with him if those originally loyal Caird shareholders, who are now stuck with a stock that once topped 230p, have to make do with the much lower bid Mr

Bellak still wishes to make. Caird's corporate credibility is irrecoverable. On top of the profits, losses and cosy deals, Mr Linacre failed to disabuse a series of City analysts who put out

estimates of its licensed capacity featuring a wild over-optimism that varied only in degree.

Piece of string

Yaird is the latest of many to find the relationship between profit and loss account and balance sheet proves far from clear under scrutiny. Optical and Medical International explained to its shareholders yesterday why a restrospective accounting change has cut pre-tax profits from £7 million to £6.1 million after the board was told that its stated eight-year practice of adding head office overheads to the cost of acquisitions was dubious. The message for share analysts is that those who rely solely on profit figures and precise price to earnings ratios need to visit another kind of analyst. The message for David Tweedie's Accounting Standards Board is that it must not consign the balance sheet to theoretical oblivion if that makes profits as long as a piece of string. A fundamental rethink is vital.

UNITED Airlines' announcement that it was to take over Pan Am operations into and out of Heathrow stunned the aviation industry and plunged the complex world of aeropolitics into new turmoil.

As both United and Pan Am expressed optimism that they would soon win government approval for the plan and that United could be flying to five cities in America by next April, virtually every other airline with the remotest interest in the deal began preparing for what could become one of the most bitter regulatory and legal battles over air routes ever fought.

At the heart of the argument lies the British government's traffic distribution rules, now under review, which were introduced to try to control access to Britain's major airports. Heathrow remains the base from which any airline with pretensions to international standing wants to

The department's first rule, however, says that an airline which did not hold licences to fly there before 1977 cannot now be allowed in. The rule has already been used to force American Airlines, which took over TWA's route between Heathrow and Chicago this year, to use Gatwick because, the civil servants said, it would be a new carrier at Heathrow.

Now United faces the same hurdle and should it too be teld to use Garwick - or more likely Stansted - all the Pan-Am siots would be up for the rule, the outery from American: would be enormous. There would almost certainly be an acrimonious

In the meantime, United has to overcome another hurdle in its \$400 million masterstroke — its own government. The Department of Transportation is still deciding whether to approve the American Airlines route buyout from TWA nine months after it was submitted. European vice-president is optimstic, however. "We see main shareholders for his the takeover of Pan Am's long-term development plans. Ish Airways last night was the

Dog fight threatens over United masterstroke



Leaving: a Pan Am jet takes off from Heathrow

complete replacement of their business, and that would be allowed under the Heathrow rules. We also believe that permission should be forthcoming from the US Department of Transportation for

What has most shaken the its rivals would see it, to break aviation world is the speed the rule, the outery from with which Stephen Wolf. United's chairman, has acted in the last two weeks after the ending of uncertainty about its future caused by a management buyout bid.

Within days of the bid failing he announced the biggest single aircraft order ever for 68 Boeing 777 twin jets and 60 Boeing 747-400 jumbos worth, in all, more than \$22 billion.

This was followed by obtaining approval for a new Mr David Coltman, United's route to Madrid and winning the confidence of the airline's

Heathrow operations as a Then came the Pan Am bombshell.

Apart from taking over two of Pan Am's 747s and the associated equipment at Heathrow, worth about \$110 million. United will have routes from Heathrow to New the whole arrangement to go York, Washington, San Fran-ahead by the end of the year." cisco and Scattle, the Washcisco and Seattle, the Washunused route licences and inter-European services from London to seven major cities on the Continent.

Not only will this boost United's passenger carryings by well over a million a year but it will increase the number of its flights to Europe from three 767s a day to six 747s and six 767s.

For the first time the airline will gain entry to Britain, through Heathrow, and compete head to head with British Airways with which, ironically, it has signed a marketing by rival airlines. .co-operation agreement.

Perhaps surprisingly, Brit-

most sanguine of the airlines over the proposed takeover. "They will be competing directly with us on five routes which Pan Am do already," said a senior BA official last night. But we have 18 gate-ways in the United States and still need United to help provide custom from the American heartland for us." United. too, said there was no reason why the marketing agreement should not continue.

For other US carriers such as Delta and Northwest, who would love access to Heath-row, the deal was a major and unwelcome challenge.

Michael Bishop ofBritish Midland, renowned for his ability to tweak the noses of the big and powerful airlines, was in no doubt. "I do not see how this deal can be implemented," he said.

"As I read the rules, United would become a new carrier into Heathrow and once Pan Am moves out all their slots would go back into the pot for the scheduling committee to redistribute. We would certainly be looking, for example, to take over those vacated on their fifth freedom route to Europe and turn them into direct British services."

As the positioning went on last night, Pan Am employees were trying to find out what their future would be. Two of their flights - to Detroit and Miami - would be moved to Gatwick and there would be an increase in operations to other European destinations. at least ensuring that many of the 1,000 Pan Am staff in Brit-

Pan Am's Pacific routes. whose sale to United was forced on the struggling airline four years ago by mounting losses, have improved by 30 per cent a year under the United management and it is expected that Pan Am's Heathrow routes would show similar increases, giving even greater iob security.

That is always provided that the ambitious deal unveiled yesterday fights its way past the many obstacles which are bound to be put in its way

> HARVEY ELLIOTT Air Correspondent

TEMPUS

Smiths regains lost ground to outstrip expectations

resolutely out of fashion, million to £115 million at the events in the Gulf notwithstanding, but the underperformance of Smiths Industries shares over the past ten months looks decidedly overdone.

For one, Smiths is not strictly a desence stock; the company is chary of giving the correct figure, but rather less than a third of profits prob-ably now comes from the arms tax profits of £131 million industry.

For two, its involvement in defence avionics is at the least vulnerable end; largely in America, and even there Smiths mainly supplies the bread-and-butter military craft rather than the riskier programmes like the B-2 and For a third, on Smiths' own

calculations, for every dollar spent on civil avionics, the military will spend more than \$4 up to the end of this century, even after the end of the Cold War. Finally, the company's abil-

bulence was ably demonexpectations at £120 million task which confronts him.

Smiths has caught up admirably in the second half, after £5 million came off interim aerospace profits because of strikes. Second-half margins comfortably exceeded those in the first half across the group, even in the industrial group which depends heavily on the British economy and the building and consumer sectors in particu-lar, while the medical side saw an exports-led boost.

Smiths' recession-proof Smiths' recession-proof that is proving to be such a qualities are highlighted by a burden on the more profitable

DEFENCE stocks remain cash pile swollen from £96 year-end that it appears in no hurry to spend. It is tucking away £9 million below the line for unspecified restructuring within avionics.

The shares, almost £3 at the start of the year and only 20p lower in June, managed a 3p rise to 205p yesterday as some analysts upgraded their forewould put the shares on a rating of less than 7. No need to chase for now; but that rating can only improve with the market's perception of the company,

Sunleigh

THE arrival of Sandy Saunders, the company doctor, as chairman of Sunleigh will be welcomed by investors who have seen shares in the leisure goods and industrial equipment concern fall from 80p in mid-1989 to just 17p.

However, pre-tax losses of ity to fly itself out of tur- £191,000 for the six months to the end of June, against profits strated by yesterday's full-year of £1.41 million for the first figures, which showed pre-tax half of last year, give some profits comfortably ahead of indication of the scale of the

> caused by the industrial products division, a supplier of capital goods to industry, which saw trading profits fall from £869,000 to £171,000. Mr Saunders has made it clear that the division has no longterm future within the group, vet this is no time to be making distress sales, particularly in the full glare of publicity.

Given the urgency that exists to dispose of a division leisure division, a joint venthan an outright sale, the have an immediate impact on the bottom line.

Sales at the leisure goods rights issue. division rose 70 per cent to almost £4 million, yet trading profits advanced by only 4 per cent to £894,000, reflecting increased pressure on margins as a result of higher marketing costs and strong competition. Commission income from a golf village development in Tenerise will begin to filter through next year, but this is clearly a long-term project.

The best news for shareholders is that the latest figures were peppered with exceptional and extraordinary charges, suggesting that Mr unturned in his early efforts to return Sunleigh to profit-

Profits of no more than £700,000 should be expected for the full year, with earnings of just 1.5p a share. The prospective multiple of 11 is still demanding for newcorners, but investors already locked in can do worse than remain patient.

United

SMITH New Court's accomplishment in getting away 20 per cent of the share capital of NSM was exemplary, given the pitfalls exposed by recent bought-deals. In taking the shares on at 69p against a market price of 72p. it had not left itself much room for manocuvre, but got them away at a hip profit, and pocketed the best part of

quarter of a million pounds.

SNC's success says much ture agreement is more likely for the increasing rehabilitation of NSM, the former benefits of which would not Burnett & Hallamshire, which only last February struggled to find takers for its £49 million

NSM is still thought capable of beating last year's profits, at £27 million, and producing 7.8p earnings. Interims of about £9.5 million (£10.6 million) are expected next month.

Evaporating bid hopes have undermined the share price in recent weeks, but the influx of professional holders at the current level should help stabilise the price.

For Anglo United, the deal is a question of so far, so good. After pumping in the £32 million NSM proceeds and the £10.5 million now due from the Oilex sale, debts remain well over £200 million. However, David McErlain, the chairman, with 28 per cent of the equity, and options for more, retains far better support from the banks than many in an apparently worse position.

But then little more than a year ago Anglo was into its banks for £480 million, the entire cost of the Coalite acquisition. Now it is only £50 ruary target. Disposing of the Charringtons fuel distribution operations could bridge the gap, although this sale was shelved when the Gulf tension and a revamping of the management revived profit expectations. It is not impossible that the banks, aware that next year's required debt repayment is only £16 million, may agree to a rescheduling. The future remains precari-

ous, but the shares, at 28p, ought to attract a little option

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Cloth-cutting caper at Capel

RUMOURS that James Capel was shutting its traded options desk, ranked top in Extel's icague table for the past three years, spread like wildfire through the City yesterday and prompted a rash of calls from worned fund managers all over the world. The talk, thought to have been fuelled by rival traders, began soon after the start of trading when Capel's dealers, en masse, suddenly walked off the Stock Exchange floor and disappeared from view. Employees of other firms, used to the brutal personnel techniques often practised in the Square Mile, feared the worst. But in place of a redundancy notice, the Capel's men were confronted with nothing more sinister than a pair of scissors and a reel of tape - to measure them for new red and white striped dealing jackets. Ten minutes later they returned to their patch, proudly modelling the new jackets and oblivious to the enquiring glances from their associates. "I have never known a story to spread so fast," says David Heron, head of derivatives, who was later seen reassuring his troops on the floor that all was well. The rumour must have been spread mischievously." In fact, far from cutting staff, he after winning its £13.5 million points out that Capel has battle with the Hoylake conrecently recruited two new sornium, BAT Industries has options market-makers from published a book of cartoons Smith New Court and is said

convertibles desk, but it is adamant that it has no plans to turn its back on the lucrative derivatives market.

Search party THE German authorities

could soon be out talent sporting to find a compatriot they can dub their very own Prince of Wales. For four burgomasters, from Spandau, Tiergarten, Charlottenburg and Wilmersdorf, are due to visit Liverpool and Glasgow this week to study The Prince's Youth Business Trust in an attempt to copy it at home. The trust, which was started when the Prince of Wales visited Merseyside after the Toxteth riots, has helped 10,000 disadvantaged young-sters to launch their own husinesses at a cost of about £12 million. The money to fund the trust comes from the Prince's 40th birthday appeal, which set out to raise £40 million, but has so far netted more than twice that sum in donations and pledges. But as the trust's officers proudly point out: "The Germans are going to need someone with spectacular charisma and a suitable birthday if they are to

Greenmail

to commemorate the event. to be in discussions with two The collection of 18 cartoons, more. Two weeks ago, the firm including four by City Diary County NatWest, Morgan

entitled Ho! Ho! Hoylake, and is being sent to BAT's advisers as a token of appreciation. But surprisingly there are no plans to include Sir James Goldsmith, Kerry Packer or Lord Rothschild on the mailing list. "We can now concentrate on running the business rather than fighting off environ-mentalists," says a BAT spokesman, adding that the collection will not be available

HEALTH warning with a difference seen at the bottom of a circular issued by regional stockbroker Wise Speke for Newcastle United Football Club: "Buying the shares probably won't make anybody rich but we sincerely hope it will make many people happy."

through bookstores.

Square meals OXFORD undergraduates seeking a Square Mile career have been casting a covetous eye over Goldman Sachs, the American investment bank. For the firm has become legendary for the quantity of food and drink it serves on the annual student recruitment drive, otherwise known as the milk round. The better the firm, the greater the quantity of food," says one student on the present milk round, now in full swing, who joined 200 NEARLY a year to the day colleagues for Goldman Sachs' meeting at Oxford's Randolph Hotel last week. "People tried to get at the food before the end of the presentation. There was almost a riot." Rival employers such as

closed its Euro-sterling cartoonist Keith Waite, is Stanley and Arthur Andersen apparently provide an adequate amount to eat, but legal firms are known to be miserly. We were worried there was too little food," said a spokeswoman for Goldman Sachs, which took on just four trainee analysis from Oxford last

Taking a pounding TIM Congdon's new mantle

of Honorary Professor of Economics at Cardiff Business School has apparently not persuaded him to adopt a more polite tone with fellow scribblers. Last night he used the Bank of Wales lecture at Cardiff to deliver a merciless salvo. The blame for mismanagement of the economy, he said, lays squarely with that majority of British economists who have no time for mone-tary and credit variables when assessing the macro-economic position. This compounds the problem of a policy-making establishment that prefers to base monetary policy on the pound rather than domestic monetary conditions. While Whitehall has been pointing fingers at ex-chancellor Nigel Lawson, the "prof" argued that it was the misguided views of economists that were largely to blame for the latest bout of inflation. He said the economic troubles might be called the "revenge of the 364", referring to the 1981 letter in which 364 cconomists said monetarist policies would cause a permanent slump.

CAROL LEONARD

Ex-Mitsui employees arrested for tax evasion

MITSUI Trust and Banking has become the second Japanese bank to have its name entangled in a widening stock market scandal after two former employees were among four businessmen arrested for evading taxes on income from dubious share deals.

The four men evaded about Y1.83 billion (£7.38 million) in taxes on profits of Y3.07 billion they made after buying shares on inside information provided by Mitsuhiro Kotani, head of the Koshin group of stock speculators.

In return, the bank employees lent money to Mr Kotani for his speculative investment syndicate. Mr Kotani was arrested and indicted in the summer for manipulating Tokyo share prices. An accountant and a com-

pany executive, customers of Mitsui Trust who also made money on Mr Kotani's advice, were also arrested. A Mitsui Trust spokesman

said it had temporarily cut the salaries of 12 Mitsui Trust directors for failing to spot what was going on. The chairman of Sumitomo Bank resigned recently after a

former branch manager was

arrested for making illegal

The four men arrested yesierday were Tsunetaka Seto, a former deputy manager at a Tokyo branch of Mitsui Trust, Haruki Matsuo, a former clerk at the same branch, Nobuvuki Ito, a tax accountant and head of a property company, and Taisuke Kobayashi, an executive of Mr Ito's property

loans to Mr Kotani.

JOE JOSEPH in Tokyo

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SHARES generally were trad- the weaker yen to take profits. ing in a narrow range at mid- The Nikkei index was down morning with the Dow Jones 421.42 points, or 1.67 per

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The FT-SE 100 index opened 4 points lower and eradually worsened as several of the index's main components were affected by negative stories. Even a rally on Wall Street in mid-afternoon failed to lift the gloom and the FT-SE closed 16.5 points down at 2,110.5, losing more than half of the 33 points gained on Monday and Tues-

The FT 30 index lost 15.8 points to 1,638.9. There were 467.5 million shares traded, but volumes were boosted by Anglo United's placing of its 48 million shares in NSM. which raised £32.1 million.

The market is expecting a tax profits from £306 million

the poor performers, falling 6p to 650p. Kevin Phillips,

Kleinwort sees problems for the company is at Allied Dunbar, which is being affected by the downturn in the life assurance industry. The fall in new business is shown by Legal & General's recent third-quarter figures, which

STOCK MARKET

Shares unsettled on eve of ICI third-quarter figures

yesterday as investors fretted about dull overnight performances in New York and Tokyo and the details of ICI's third-quarter figures, due out

fall in ICI's third-quarter preo about £180 million. ICI finished 8p cheaper at 839p.

BAT Industries was one of

insurance analyst at Kleinwort Benson, the broker, nas downgraded his profit orecast for this year by £140 million to £1.31 billion. He orecasts the company's profits will be reduced by up to 160 million from realised unrealised losses on

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Trafalgar House was another victim of the market's pessimism as reports circulated of a disaster at the Dartford Bridge development on the Thames. Dealers said that the foundations had hit the Dartford tunnel, but this was later denied by the company. Otherwise, analysts are

ted several large orders from

Eurotunnel's bankers meet today to sign the company's £1.8 billion debt-refinancing agreement while the first tunnel breakthough, with a 21/2inch probe, is due next week, Yamaichi, the Japanese broker, is preparing a buy circular at up to 590p a share.
Marks and Spencer lost 10p

becoming increasingly con- to 232p after a story circulated

Erskine House, the office supplies group, slumped 10p to 31p after a report that Copy Consultants, a subsidiary in Carlisle, Cambria, had gone into receivership. The company issued a statement saying that Copy Consultants had never been a subsidiary, but the shares failed to recover. Erskine owns an ed company that traded as Copy Consults

vinced that the company will

cut its dividend. One estimated that the fullar payout may fall by 2.6p to 15p, even though the interior dividend was raised by 10 per cent to 8p. Trafalgar ended 13p lower at 190p.

In contrast, Eurotesnel had one of its best days in months as the units gained 35p to 480p. Market-makers repor-

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in the morning that its interim trading statement next week would be particularly bearish. Kinglisher gained 3p after positive comments from sevbelieve its B&Q and Comet chains are well placed to benefit from any recovery in the housing market.

BOC lost 17p to 484p as some institutions took profits after its recent strong

Pearson gained 13p to 635p. Barclays de Zoete Wedd changed its recommendation from hold to buy this week after the shares fell on worries about the future of the 17.2 per cent stake held by The

News Corporation, which is the ultimate owner of The

was the highlight of the Unlisted Securities Market, climbing 13p to 95p. The company announced that Bill Williams, its former chairman, had sold his 24.5 per cent stake for 1221/2p a share. The buyer of the 865,000 shares is an off-the-shelf company called Delimar. But behind Delimar is Jeff Trendell, who used to run an American data systems house called Data Three. This was sold to

pected to take over as chief executive at Synapse to replace Mr Williams who left last April. The company shocked the market in March when it fell into a £249,000 loss for the half-year to end-January, down from a pre-tax profit of £463,000. The shares

nose as high as 300p last year. The news at two other USM companies was less good. DY Davies, the architectural practice, slumped 180 to 600 after David Davies, the chairman, issued a warning at the annual meeting that the group would make a loss in the six months to the end of this month Turnover was greatly reduced at three subsidiaries and the group had been forced to cut

its staff by a quarter. At Goodhead's annual meeting, Colin Rosser, the chairman, said that trading at this print and packaging group continued to be difficult. Profits for the first half of the year would only match the £1.25 million made in the second balf of last year. This is £1.5 million down on last year's

management company, slid 8p to 47p as Severn Trent allowed its 100p-a-share bid to lapse. Severn Trent, which has been an underperformer in the water stocks recently, rose 2p to 207p.

NEIL BENNETT

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Reserving title until payment in full

sen Edelstahlwerke AG Before Lord Keith of Kinkel. Lord Griffiths. Lord Oliver of Aylmerton. Lord Goff of Chieveley and Lord Jauncey of Tullichettle [Speeches October 18]

A provision in a contract of sale reserving to the vendor title in goods delivered to the purchaser until payment of all debts due to the vendor by the purchaser, did not amount to the creation by the purchaser of a right of security in favour of the vendor and was thus effective under the

The House of Lords so held in allowing an appeal by Thyssen Edelstahlwerke AG against a decision of the Second Division of the Inner House of the Court of Session (Lord Ross, the Lord Justice-Clerk, Lord McDonald and Lord Wylier upholding a decision of Lord May field. Lord Ordinary, that such a clause constituted an attempt, ineffective under the law of Scotland. to create a right of security over moveables without transfer of possession, and that property in the goods had cassed on delivery.

The respondents were the joint receivers of the assets of Carron Co Ltd, a company which had purchased 67.423kg of steel strip from the appellants without having paid the £71.769 purchase price.

The appellant's general conditions of deliver, and payment included a clause that "All goods delivered by us remain our property ... until all debts owed to us ... on any legal grounds are settled".

Mr Jonathan Mance, QC and Mr J. W. McNeill (of the Scots Barl for the appellants: Mr J. E. Drummond Young, QC (of the Scots Bar) and Mr N. F. Davidson (of the Scots Bar) for the respondents.

LORD KEITH said that the appellants, the owners of the steel strip, transferred possession in it to Carron under what was unquestionably a con-There was no question of the appellants creating a right of security. They were not in the position of debtors seeking to give a right of security to a creditor. They were themselves creditors of Carron for the price of the steel strip and maybe for

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(issue price in brackets).

The situation was far removed from that where a party in possession of corporeal moveables sought to create a subordinate right in favour of a creditor while retaining the ultimate right to himself.

It was true that by entering into the contract of sale Carron agreed that it should receive possession of the goods on delivery but should not acquire the property until all debts due to the appellants had been paid. and thus agreed that the appel-lants would in effect have security over the goods after they had come into Carron's possession.

But at that stage Carron had no interest of any kind whatsoever in any particular goods. to confer upon the appellants any subordinate right over the steel strip, nor did it ever seek to

Section 17 of the Sale of Goods Act 1979 provided: "(1) Where there is a contract for the sale of specific or ascertained goods the property in them is transferred to the buyer at such time as the parties to the contract intend it to be mansferred.

"(2) For the purpose of ascertaining the intention of the parties regard shall be had to the terms of the contract . . . "

In the present case the parties in the contract of sale clearly expressed their intention that the property in the steel strip ald not pass to Carron until all deots due by it to the appellants had been paid. There was no ground for refusing to give effect to that intention.

Further, section 19 provided: (1) Where there is a contract for the sale of specific goods . . . the seller may ... reserve the right of disposal of the goods until certain conditions are fulfilled: and in such a case notwithstanding the delivery of

property in the goods does not pass to the buyer until the conditions imposed by the seller

Here the appellants, by the terms of the contract of sale, had in effect reserved the right of disposal of the steel strip until fulfilment of the condition that all debts due to them by Carron had been paid. By virtue of the 1979 Act that had the effect that the property in the goods did not pass to Carron until that condition had been fulfilled.

It had been argued for Carron section 19(1) had to be read as excluding any condition which had the effect of creating a right of security over the goo However, his Lordship was

unable to regard a provision reserving title to the seller until navment of all debts due to him by the buyer as amounting to the creation by the buyer of a right security in favour of the

Such a provision did in a sense give the seller security for the unpaid debts of the buyer. But it did so by way of a legitimate retention of title, not by virtue of any ment over his own property conferred by the buver.

in all cases where a right of security was conferred deotor retained an ultimate right over the subject matter in question. The creditor, having realised out of the subject matter a sufficient sum to meet the debt was obliged to account to the deptor for any surpius.

Where, however, the seller of goods retained title until some condition had been satisfied. and on failure of such satisfaction repossessed them, then he was not obliged to account to the buyer for any part of the value of the goods.

Where the condition was to the effect that the price of the goods should have been paid and it had not been paid, then where the market price of the goods had risen, so that they were worth more than the contract price, the extra value belonged to the unpaid seller. That was clearly the position payment of the price of the actual goods, and went to show that the retention of title provision was not one creating a right of security forming an exception to the general rule requiring possession by the

provision covered not only the price of the very goods which were the subject of the particular contract of sale, but also debts due to the seller under other

Ordinary and the judges of the Second Division was erroneous as was that of Lord Ross in Emerald Stainless Steel Ltd v Southside Distribution Ltd (1983 SLT 162) and in Deut: ines Lid v Terex Lid (1984

Lord Griffiths, Lord Oliver and Lord Golf agreed and Lord Jauncey delivered a concurring Solicitors: Pritchard

burgh: Masons for MacRoberts, and that that figure was little Glasgow. Aggravating factors in

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sentencing in cases of causing death by driving recklessly. Lord Lane, Lord Chief Justice in 1047) referred to categories of aggravating factors, which were examples of the type of aggrava-

matter for judgment in each case as to whether a custodial sentence was merited by the particular piece of reckless drivcaused the death of a human

tion that might be taken into account. However, it was not possible to put every case into one of lose categories, and it was a

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Russell, Mr Justice Drake and Mr Justice Morland)

Appuni Review 1989-90 The pitfalls which awaited members of the public wonder-ing whether or not to appeal against judicial decisions in civil matters were explained by Lord Donaldson of Lumington, Master of the Rolls, on October 24 in his review of the legal year 1989-

THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that the format of the report had been influenced by the recently formed Court of ppeal users' committee, whose aim was to improve mutual understanding of the problems which confronted the court and those who used its services or involved professionally

Although almost every ju-dicial decision in a civil matter was appealable directly or indirectly to the Court of Appeal. only a minute proportion of those decisions actual came before the court.

However, the fact that only Englefield & Tobin for Bird 25.6 per cent of appeals were Semple Fyle Ireland WS, Edinallowed in the legal year 1989-90

death driving cases

When giving guidance on r Bosnell ([1984] 1 WLR

wing an appeal and reducing to three months a sentence of six months imprisonment imposed Gary Michael Smith on September 6, 1990 on his conviction at the Central Criminal Court, before Mr Recorder Hytner, QC and a jury, of causing death by reckless driving. The appellant was also disqualified for two years. MR JUSTICE DRAKE said

that although the recorder had not erred in principle and was appellant's reckless driving was such that a custodial sentence was justified, in the circum-stances of the case their Lordships thought that the strong miligating factors could have been given more weight and, accordingly, would reduce the

selectivity. Disappointment with a ju-dicial decision was not a sound basis for an appeal. The starting point of an appeal was not the

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claimant's case, as at first in-stance, but the decision under appeal. It was for the appellant to demonstrate that the judge had erred. That was a formidable burden and might be impossible, particularly in cases where the dispute was essentially one of fact, and in cases flowing from

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where there was often no right In giving advice to a client on whether to appeal, the legal adviser had to ask himself whether there were sufficient grounds for believing not only that the case should have been decided differently, but that it could be demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Court of Appeal that there were grounds

for reversing the judge's finding. Where there was any possibility of appeal, the party against whom the decision was made should apply to the trial judge for a stay of execution. Except in conditions of urgency, the Court of Appeal had no power to grant a stay of execution unless there was a pending appeal or an application for leave to appeal. Not only must the opposin

party be given prompt notice of an appeal, but it must also be set down with the Court of Appeal itself and that court insisted upon all reasonable expedition and strict compliance with the timerable laid down. The Courts and Legal Services Act 1990 would empower the Rule Committee to re-

appraise the categories of case requiring leave to appeal, and to allow applications to be heard in appropriate cases by two Lord Justices, rather than a single Lord Justice as at present. The judges of the court were in no doubt that hopeless appeals could be identified very exercise last year they notionally

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requirements of each appeal and enable the administrative staff to work to the best advantage: They could also draw attention to appeals requiring priority treatment and help the court avoid the risk of two appeal courts deciding the same legal point in a different sense. counter staff at the Civil Appeal Office would no longer consider or raise the question of leave to appeal or any other jurisdic-tional issue and would no longer, issue forms or notes for guidgranted or refused leave in cases.

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the year. Whether the figure for appeals outstanding rose or fell within a given period depended critically on the number of appeals disposed of without consideration of their merits. The court's influence was very limited.

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Carrying Britain's high standards into Europe

he European Commis-sion's proposed ban on the sale of products that do not carry recognised quality certificates has given fresh impetus to the government's Quality Assurance programme. Until now, the campaign, which aims to strengthen the international competitiveness of UK companies, has had to rely on persuasion to promote the importance of quality and encourage companies to get third-party endorsement.

The prospect of mandatory certification will be discussed at the first council meeting of the European Organisation for Test-ing and Certification (EOTC), which begins today in London. Formed after an EC resolution taken late last year, the organ-isation's objectives are to agree on globally recognised standards and discuss ways of eliminating un-necessary duplication of tests.

The new organisation is to be an autonomous unit in which participation will be voluntary. It is seen as having a catalytic role in bringing together and giving administrative support to those interested in developing mutual

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The UK is at the forefront of moves to enforce a code of quality for products sold across

Europe after 1992, Patricia Tisdall reports

and host, says: "If trade in the single market is to flow freely, customers need assurances of quality. Buyers may not be aware of the reputable certification bodies outside their own countries. It is the purpose of accreditation to identify them. This meeting should take the first steps in setting up a common European set of benchmarks so that accredited certifications can be internationally relied upon."

The council is the first of its kind, although similar arrangements are developing in other European countries. Its formation followed a recommendation by the 1982 white paper, "Standards, Quality and International Competitiveness", that a unified national accreditation system and recognisable accreditation mark be established. The council's job is to watch the watchdogs - to assess the technical competence of certification bodies and the effectiveness of their management systems, and to make recom-

mendations to the trade and

ACCREDITED CERTIFICATION BODIES

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(NACCB), the UK representative industry department (DTI)

Companies that are accredited by certification bodies obtain the right to use the symbol of a golden crown (signifying government) and a tick (signifying approval). Although established under the Royal Charter of the British Standards Institution (BSI), the NACCB is independent of the BSL Its aim is to develop quality assessment procedures that encourage excellence, even when

no BSI standard exists.
One of the criticisms made in the white paper was of the variable quality of British standards: in some areas they lead the field, while in others they are obsolete. Equally, they are not always sufficiently clear and specific for regulatory use. The government's objective is not to promote British standards regardless of their qual-ity, but to encourage reliance on standards that hold sway in world

The council's impartiality enables it to monitor the performance of BSI Quality Assurance;

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ification division, on the same basis as any of the 14 smaller certification bodies that have been granted national accreditation.

Some accredited certification bodies, such as Lloyd's Register Quality Assurance, which in February 1986 became the first to be granted accreditation, have a wide scope of activities. Its sector-based schemes range from non-ferrous cast and wrought products (Association of British Brass Founders) to welding plants (Welding Distributors' Association). Others, such as the Ceramic Industry Certification Scheme, accredited in July 1987 and dealing with only clay bricks, roofing tiles, pavers and bathroom sanitary ware, are specific.

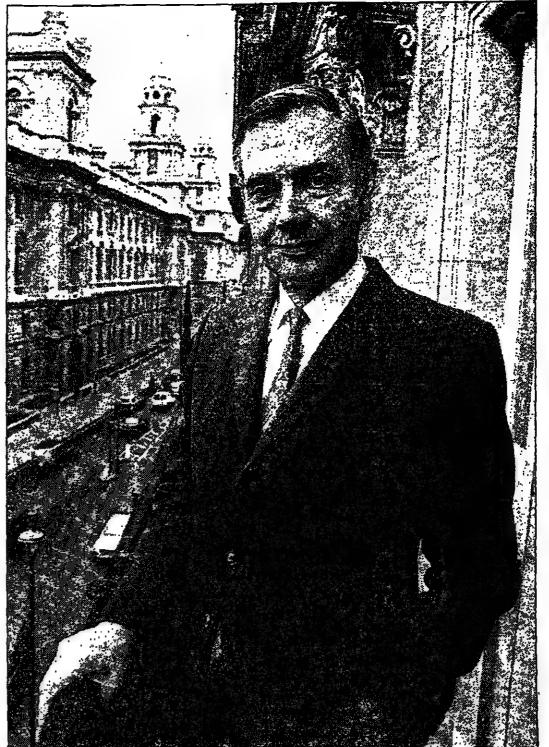
An organisation can theoretically obtain certification in up to four categories: quality management systems (to BS 5750); product conformity; product approval; or personnel engaged in quality verification.

n practice, all 15 accredited bodies operate in either of the first two categories. The task of the council, whose members represent the interests of industry, government, local authorities, trade unions, retailers and consumers, is to assess the technical competence of certification bodies and the effectiveness of their quality management sys-tems. Assessment is carried out in line with a published criteria of COMPERENCE

Certification bodies are expected to look at management attitudes as well as ensuring that every stage of the process is correct. This is in accord with "total quality" definition, which emphasises customer satisfaction and operates throughout an organisation.

The chairman of Rank Xerox (UK), Sir Derek Hornby, the NACCB chairman, once said: "We make all sorts of things that we thought were super and we tended to go to the customer and say: 'Look at this marvellous box we have got for you', without really finding out what he wanted. It was only when we got to the customer that we realised that we have now got not just a quality programme, but a total quality programme right throughout the

Mr Hewlett, who moved from



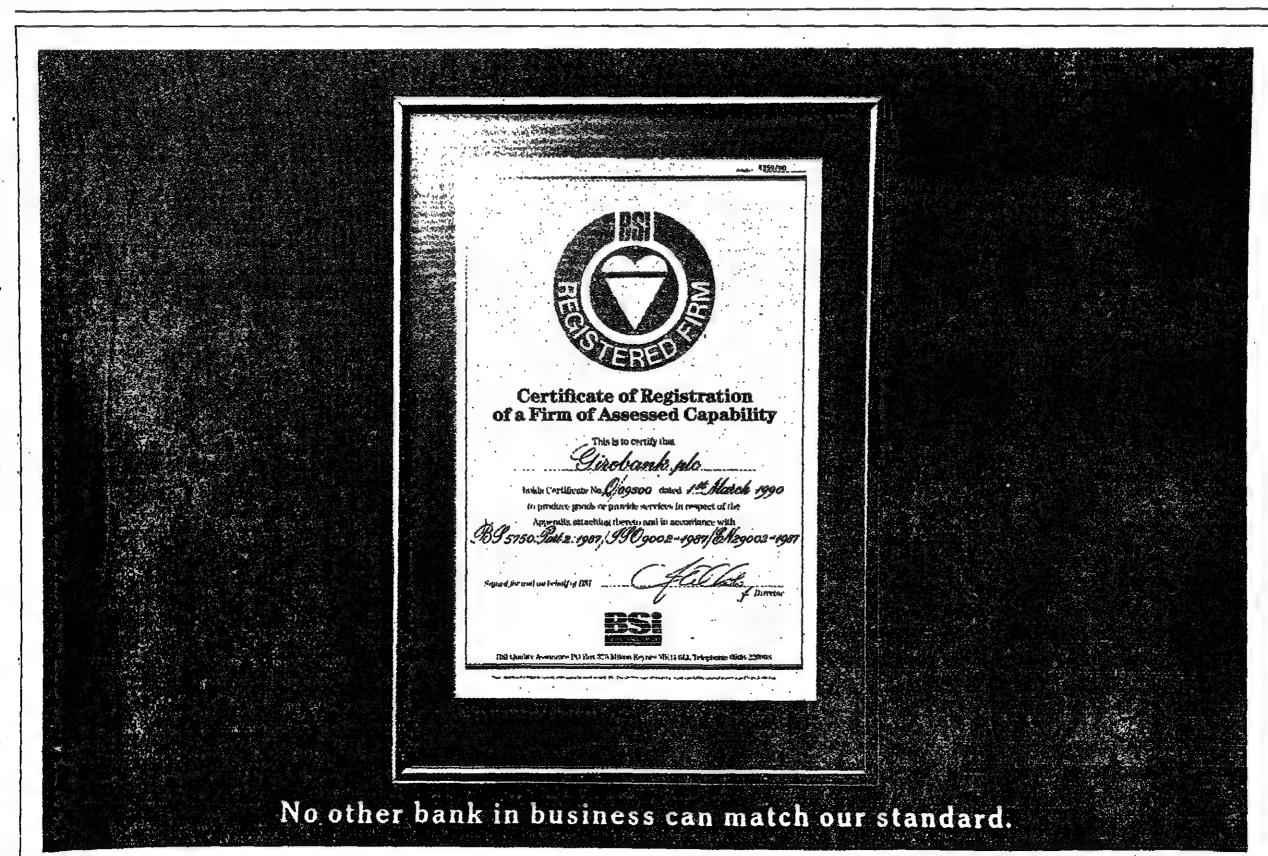
Paul Hewlett, of the accreditation council: "If trade is to flow freely, customers need assurances of quality"

the DTI in September to head NACCB's secretariat, wants impartial certification to be as accessible to small companies as to giants such as ICL, British Telecom, British Aerospace or Boots. Having had practical experience of applying quality standards as a director of Otis Elevators, he is keen to cut out bureaucratic frills and to use plain language wherever possible - a favourite analogy is a wastepaper bin as a method of dealing with

Companies that employ fewer than 500 people can get belp with documenting and introducing quality assurance systems. Under the quality section of its Enterprise Initiative programme, the DTI will pay half the cost of between five and 15 days of consultancy.

The government's publicity message for large and small companies is that quality assurance programmes pay. While thirdparty certification may cost money, eliminating large errors costs for more.

Studies in the Seventies out the cost of poor quality to British industry at about £10 billion. More recently, Dr Barry Dale, of the University of Manchester's management school, said that quality-related costs ranged from 5 to 15 per cent of a company's sales turnover. Other experts espanies spend up to 30 per cent of turnover on deciding what to do with imperfect products, while for service companies, the cost may be as high as 50 per cent.



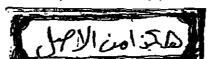
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Patricia Tisdall reports on how the Ministry of Defence is dealing with its backlog in assessments

a special bulletin sent to defence suppliers, the government has signalled that the Nutional Accreditation Council for Certification Bodies has come of age. The Ministry of Defence announced in July that in-house assessment of quality will change to external certification by an NACCB approved body from September 1, 1991.

The announcement surprised the industry by the scope of the change. It affects almost every category of supplier across the spectrum of the 10,000 companies which appear on the Defence Contract List. Although the MoD had advised suppliers a year ago that the change was needed to deal with a backlog in assessments, most companies assumed that it would be introduced gradually.

The MoD's change reinforces the overall policy pursued by the government since its 1982 white paper. Defence procurement heads a list of public purchasers identified in a review issued in 1986 shortly after the forma-tion of the NACCB. Other sectors include building supplies, health care and purchasers of high technology equipment and software.

Priority was given to de-fence because of its size - its 1990/91 estimates for equipment costs are £8.3 billion and influence. More inte-gration of defence and civil standards will help ease the transfer of military technology to civilian use.

With encouragement from the Department of Trade and Industry a joint MoD/British Standards Institute review panel has been working for more than four years to speed up standardisation. An agreement reached with industry to accept assessment to BS 5750 enabled the MoD to deregister sub-contractor material manufacturers in 1987.

It was decided at that time that third party certification would not be extended to direct contractors until the accreditation activities of the then newly formed NACCB had been further developed. The timing of the July announcement was influenced NACCB as well as the shortthe expansion of the age of internal assessment resources. In its bulletin the MoD noted that 15 third party.

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5750, the United Kingdom standard for quality systems, signatied a change of attitude towards designing

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National council gets its big break



In line for change: the Ministry of Defence is altering its way of assessing the equipment supplied to it

achieved accreditation by the Secretary of Trade and In-dustry by mid-1990 and that further applications were being processed.

Despite the warnings, rogress has been slow. Surveys by the Defence Manufacturers Association (DMA). whose members supply a cross section of products ranging from pins and carpets to battleships, indicate that less than haif bold the necessary certificates at present.

The DMA has repeatedly warned members that they may find the transition from the existing Nato-related Allied Quality Assurance Publication (AQAP) registration much tougher than they certification bodies had think. It points out that

whereas AQAP category four, for instance, is essentially an inspection oriented system, the so-called British Standards (BS) equivalent calls for a fully fledged quality management system covering all aspects

other than design and

development

Complaints have been made about the extra documentation that is needed for the transition. "Because the BS standards were produced with third party assessment in mind, they rely heavily on the evidence of records to demonstrate the effectiveness of the quality system. Whereas AOAPs make frequent use of the phrase to the satisfaction of the quality assurance representative (QAR), the BS stan-

dards hardly refer at all to the 'purchasers representative'," the DMA says.

Changing to third party certification also requires the supplier to pay for the service. Costs are estimated by the DMA over a three year period at about £5,000 per supplier excluding modifications. The government's overall

view is that all sectors of public purchasing have an important role in improving, the competitiveness of suppliers. They can do this by relating their requirements to national standards rather than laying down their own special criteria. Guidance has been issued to purchasing departments on the need to have their quality manage ment systems assessed against the national standard for quality management BS 5750 and to use this whenever feasible instead of their own quality requirements and inspections.

The argument is that by referring to acceptance standards, public purchasers improve the status of the relevant standard, support improved efficiency in their suppliers and very often save money. The expectation is that by making a reality of a policy of "no QA assessment, no award of contract" the MoD will help generate a "critical mass" of certified suppliers which other government purchasers can also draw

Initial advantages

The total quality

management idea

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Brigadier Robert Lonsdale.

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Though TQM has not yet its own BS 5750 imprimatur, the

BOA has adopted its own

standard term and adopted an

interim "working" definition pending publication of a nat-ional standard. TQM:

• is a corporate-business-

management philosophy, recognising that customer needs

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"hearts and minds" approach to quality ssurance has been imported from the United States, and it is called total quality management. TQM means that everyone should be involved in assurance, from the board to the peckaging clerk.

This requires a change of attitude throughout a company. However, more than 50 per cent of those who responded to a survey by Develin and Partners replied that they had serious difficulties in achieving the cultural change among managers. Members of the workforce saw it as an opportunity to increase their influence over the processes in which they worked

Although TOM takes time and effort, from the chief executive downwards, its rewards are demonstrable, the survey claims. Thirty com-panies were identified in which financial results — return on capital - were better than the sector average. It also revealed sharp differences between the leaders and the average companies. Leaders were far more successful in meeting TQM targets, especially in profitability and com-

The introduction of TQM involves significant investment in terms of managemen and other staff, plus the cost of external assistance, says Nicholas Bear, of Peat Marwick McLintock.

Set against this investment, benefits can be achieved. Mr Bear gave as examples AT&T. British Alcan and British Airways. The cost of quality, covering appraisal, external failure, internal failure and prevention cost, in some

A MARK of quality for marketing, sales and customer

service - Marketing Quality

Assurance (MQA) - was launched this week in a co-

operative venture with the

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Ian Griffith. the MQA

director, says the specifica-

tion requires companies to

have well-defined systems and

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of effore involves a commitment from chief executive level downwards, so quality is achieved by personal involvement and accountability, with measurable levels of perfor-

mance by all concerned. Brigadier Lonsdale says the main issue is to find the most efficient way to implement TQM on a large scale. The starting point is the 12,000 UK companies that have achieved the transition to operating quality systems conforming with national and international standards. The next focal point has to be those companies that have not

yet made the transition. Most UK companies still do not employ quality systems conforming with national and international standards," be says. "More quality assessment and certification of companies is needed, and there is a need for more registered throughout a company so that people from different depart-ments, with different prior-

The cultural change was witnessed by Ron Collard, a partner in Coopers & Lybrand Deloitte, when he visited Japan. Visiting companies and talking about their TQM programmes, he found they had difficulty in recalling the point at which the organisations introduced total quality. He said: "The Japanese have had phenomenal success throughout the world in persuading customers their goods and services are produced to the highest standards."

MICHAEL HATFIELD

Marketing benchmark

(Michael Hatfield writes). MQA is the brainchild of Poperative arrangement with the BSI, which will promote dent chairman and governing body to ensure the impartial-

ity of its assessments. Mi Griffith expects accreditation to take from four to nine months. The cost of the assessment will vary, depending on the size of the company, but it is estimated that medium-size companies wil E international, a leading be charged between £8.000 management consultancy, and £12,000, excluding the which entered into a co- £500 application fee. If successful, a company will be able to display the MQA logo MQA and train its assessors. - as proof that is meets the MOA will have an indepen- standard, but this right will be withdrawn if the company

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Getting design right

The BS number that changed the way of making things

new standard provided practical the employee-led quality circle apa time when managements were keen proach and other quality programmes Concern about the increasing popularity of Japanese-made goods in instigated from boardrooms, Involving all parts of an organisation in production, from the initial design to the mid-Seventies had forced western businesses to learn from the methods post-delivery servicing, affected managers as well as their staff. Japanese manufacturers had applied

A second breakthrough came in getting international recognition. In opiny of "managing" quality at all levels of an organisation was known 1987, a revised version of the BS 5750 standard was tailored so that it aligned as the "quality circle", an employeewith ISO 9000 - "Quality systems: led group that met regularly to Model for quality assurance in design/development, production, inidentify, analyse and solve local stallation and servicing" - published by the International Organisation for By introducing systems that in-

volved all parts of an organisation, Standardisation (ISO), and to the In 1982, acceptance of the standard

was given a large push after its adoption in a government white paper. In 1984, the Register of Quality Assured United Kingdom Companies, published by the Department of Frade and Industry, contained about 6.600 entries. The 1990 version, published last month, has more than

Large companies that have BS 5750 certificates include Shell UK Oil. In introducing BS 5750, Shell says it has found that the systems provide a "corporate glue" of common standards. Last November, the London Fancy

Box Company, whose clients include Cadbury, IBM and Avon Cosmetics, became the first in its category to receive BS 5750/IS 9002 certification. At the presentation of the certificate, Geoffrey Loosemore, the manufacturing director for Cadbury, said: "I know qualifying for BS 5750 is no easy task and requires commitment right throughout the organisation,

Companies seeking a certificate should contact one of the 15 accredited bodies and obtain a free consultation and quote. Once the company's quality system documentation has been sent to the assessment body, an assessor is appointed to examine the documentation so it satisfies BS 5750 equirements.

Assessment and certification usually take about six months. Costs for certification start at about £1,000; thereafter it is £500 for each routine surveillance.

Move beyond manufacturing

AWARDS will be presented next month to companies and individuals who have achieved notable success in improving the quality of Brit-ish products, services or processes in the last year.

The annual awards are organised by the British Ouality Association (BOA), whose company membership has doubled in the past five years as the concept of quality has percolated through the business and service communities (Michael Hatfield writes).

The membership is 1,350; but the encouraging growth rate is not viewed with com-placency. Brigadier Robert Lonsdale, the BQA chairman. believes growth is not fast enough. "One would not be surprised to hear that our membership includes names such as Marks & Spencer, ICI and Rolls-Royce, but it is the smaller companies that can really benefit from member-ship," he says.

BOA members employ professionals in the search for improved quality. By installing quality management systems, there is a greater chance of producing goods and services that qualify for BS 5750. the British quality standard.

David Roberts, the marketing director of Neville Clarke, management: consultancy which specialises in quality assurance, says BS 5750 is a strategic tool in the market place". The registration of quality assurance gives a com-pany an advantage in an ncreasingly competitive en-

Until recently, quality assurance was concentrated within manufacturing, but it is now spreading across com



Clive Bone: huge interest

mercial, business and local authorities, a trend reflected in the growth of BQA's sector

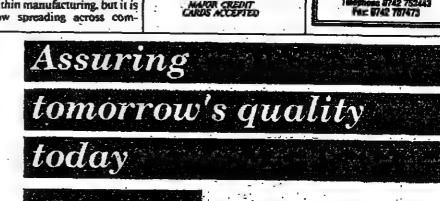
Clive Bone, the chairman of the BQA's local authorities committee says there has been an explosion of interest" from local councils as they apply quality assurance to fields as diverse as social services, street cleaning and education. Mr Bone says: "Interest was so great that we have had to set up specialist groups." Seventy-five councils

representatives from about 30 schools, colleges, teachers' unions and education authorities at its first meeting, held recently The BQA is an integral part of the Institute of Quality Assurance (IQA), the pro-fessional body for quality practitioners, whose member-ship is 11,000 — a 4,000 increase on five years ago. Membership involves a ris-

.748 applications this year. 40 per cent failed. The IQA regulates the standards required for membership and establishes grades of membership commensurate with specific levels of qualification and experience.

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British consumers

have learnt to respect marks of

quality standards on goods. EC rules may muddy the

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g ymbols of quality assurance may require full independent certification, while others need only be endorsed by a manufacturer's declaration. The British Standards Institution (BSI) is concerned that the number of symbols used to sig-

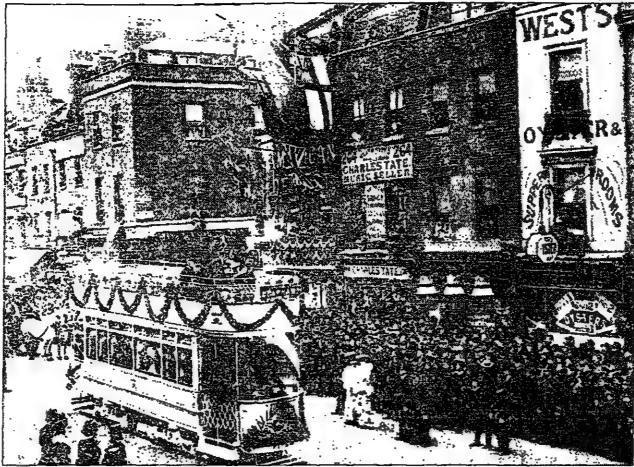
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ty directives are confusing. Behind the BSI's kitemark and, to a lesser extent, its safety mark, lies a rigorous assessment and tests. Not only can licences to use the mark be withdrawn, manufacturers can be compelled to recall every item if tests suggest a batch may be sub-standard.

The most famous of all the logos is the BSI kitemark, which signifies that a product conforms to a recognised British standard. A scheme of supervision and control by BSI is drawn up before each licence is issued. This involves an approval of quality control arrangements based on the BS 5750 Quality Systems Standard. A regular audit, plus regular testing by the BSI or agreed agents of a proportion of production aims to ensure continuing compliance.

First registered as a trademark for tramway rails in 1903, the kitemark's history is almost as old as that of the BSI. Rationalisation of standards used to produce structural steel sections was a notably early triumph of the original Engineering Standards Committee, the forerunner of the British Standards Institution. The concerns which, in April 1901, led to the formation of the com-mittee by the British Iron Trade Federation, the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, the institution of Naval Architects, the Iron and Steel Institute and, in 1902, by the Institution of Electrical Engineers, have a familiar ring.

In a letter to The Times, a Mr Skelton, a City of London iron merchant, said: "Rolled steel girders are imported into Britain from Belgium and Germany because we have too much individualism in this country ... no two professional men are agreed upon the size and weight of girder to employ for given work and the Briush manufacturer is everlastingly changing his rolls or



Opening ceremony for the first London tram. The British kitemark was originally a trademark for tram lines

Why the kitemark is still flying high

irregular unscientific requirements of professional architects and engineers."

Some remarkable results were achieved. Within a year, the number of structural steel sections in common use had dropped from 175 to 113. Sizes used in tramway rails alone dropped from 75 to five.

Economies in production costs alone were estimated at the time as about £1 million a year, with further economies in steel merchants' costs. Standardisation also moted the wider use of steel



that sections were interchangeable, regardless of the works from which they had

The use of the British Standard Mark, familiarly known as the kitemark, expanded to other products once a requirement to test every item rather than a sample of total production was lifted. In 1922, registration of the mark was accepted for all classes of product and the first licence for its use by a manufacturer was issued in 1926 to the General Electric Company for light fittings.

Having been associated mainly with engineering products during most of its early life, the kitemark was catapulted into consumer markets after the second world war. The removal of rationing and freedom from Utility restric-tions released a bewildering choice of domestic products.

Associations with quality were at first eagerly, if briefly, adopted by furniture and bedding producers. By 1955, 85 per cent of mattresses were kitemarked. The bedding in-

shoddy mattress. The kitemark's reputation as the champion of the ordi-

nary shooner was reinforced by the formation in 1955 of an Advisory Council on Stan-dards for Consumer Goods (later abbreviated to the Consumer Advisory Council). Intense public interest was aroused by the CAC, which organised local consumer "brains trusts", appeared on television and published its own "Shoppers Guide". This led to the government setting up a committee of enquiry in 1959 to examine the whole question of consumer pro-

Much to the BSI's relief, the Molony committee accepted should be a national concern and recommended the formstion of a new national Consumer Council. Less welcome was the

committee's rejection in a final report made in 1962 of making kitemarking a com-pulsory feature of certain safety standards. By then, the BSI had become deeply in-

testing of motor cyclists' safety helmets and car seat belts. When the BSI opened its own test laboratories at Hemel Hempstead in 1959, the biggest projects on hand involved motor-cycle helmets.

Other projects concerning burns from clothing, the design of fireguards, paraffin beaters, life-jackets and reflectors and the conversion to natural gas all helped to link the kitemark with safety in the public mind. Its reassurance on safety was used to great marketing advantage by manufacturers of pressure cookers and other products that consumers of the day thought dangerous. A modi British Electrical Approvals Board also helped increase sales of electrical blankets and other new appliances.

Recent research shows that 30 years later, the kitemark is still widely recognised by consumers as a safety symbol. A separate Safety Mark in-troduced in 1975, which offers confirmation only that a product confirms to the safety

The research carried out earlier this year also showed that industrialists valued the kitemark as a statement of a company's commitment to quality standards.

Big changes to achieve zero defects can benefit companies Collating the benefits of

more than reaching a numerical standard of acceptability. It can mean a cultural change sweeping through a company's entire

An example is the expenence of 3M United Kingdom, which won a British Quality Award for its total quality process. Matchprint colour proofing is one of 3M's most important graphic products, are introducing their own meeting accurate colour quality assurance. matching specifications.

force of 3M managers was set Association of Certification up to find out the reason. They Bodies of establishing a forinterviewed a number of mula for a uniform standard potential buyers in the printing of quality assurance in the trade to find out what cus- area of management conanswer, in nearly all instances, was "24-hour delivery".

Next day" delivery of material was alien to 3M's cor- director of strategy and porate culture, geared as it was marketing at PE International, to standard waiting time of argues that while quality four to five days, while a series of different departments sales, invoicing control, warehouse, packing and transport liaised with each other before shipping the order.

A quality task force was assembled to study the probiem and, with the backing of senior management, to resolve it. The first step was to bring together all 3M staff who were responsible for marketing and shipping the product so that they worked as a team and the lines of communication were shortened to a

Accordingly, the Match-print sales office, inventory control, warehouse, packing and transport operations were located at the company's central distribution point in Bedford. A 24-hour delivery system was created. It required 3M to operate its own fleet of delivery vehicles from Bedford, but the costs were offset by the savings from a close-knit and more effective team operation, with far fewer errors, Matchprint sales multiplied two-and-a-half times in

three years.

Quality assurance is also

cultural change

public face of Creda

The Management Consult-However, initial sales figures ancies Association has dis-successful BSI registrations were disappointing. A task cussed the possibility with the increased the awareness of tomers really wanted and the sultancy, and a plan should be awareness. The company is registered by the beginning of next year.

Bill Boynton, the managing marketing at PE International, urance has to be customerdriven and that there has to be to meet the need, the opera-tion falls down unless the right systems are in place.

One of the companies which brought in PE International when it was re-examining its procedures was Creda, the domestic appliance manufacturer and a leading UK producer of electric cookers. The initial incentive to install quality assurance systems stemmed from the electricity authorities' insistence that the company obtained BS 5750 registration as a producer of mond Trigg, a consultant with

Creda engaged PE Inter-national to guide it through a staged programme to full quality assurance registration, the ture of the beater, home waves and cookers.

The design and elopment section at Creda then obtained registration to BS 5750: Part 1 — the part appropriate to its "state-ofthe art" engineering function. opening up a wider market for The last function for attention

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Mr Trigg says all of these quality and Creda went on to incorporate quality assurance in the areas of suppliers, statistical process control and training to increase total staff now considering a programme

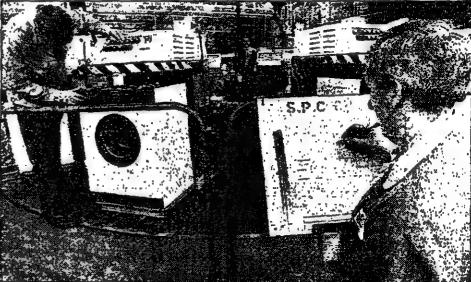
of total quality management. Ron Collard, a partner with Coopers & Lybrand Deloitte. the accountants and management consultancy, says quality is a long, hard slog. The the skilled staff and operations ending. There are three steps to achieving zero defects in products and services - the only level companies should

accept, he says. The first step is to investigate the company's quality needs. The second is to plan its quality campaign. The third is to define a quality programme. Too many companies go straight to the third stage, so their quality programmes collapse in an atmosphere of cynicism and recrimination, he says.

This was certainly not th bulk storage heaters, says Des- case with Shulton GB, the manufacturer of Old Spice, which wanted to put a new face on its marketing opera-tion. It took the TQM route by bringing together its 400 head office staff in Wokingham and factory workforce in Newcastle and explaining how it wanted to improve internal

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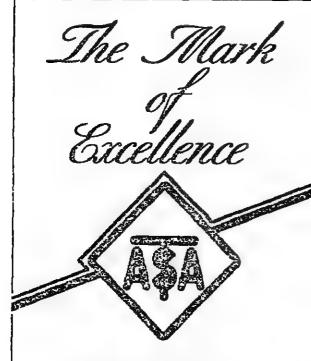
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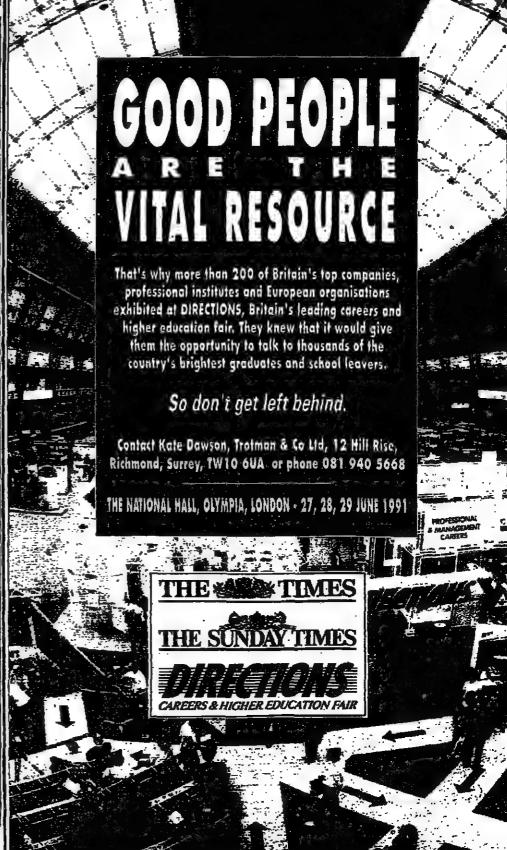
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Searchers after an elusive star

nevitably, the health of a sport is judged by its elite. British golf is strong because it has Nick Faldo and Ian Woosnam. British tennis is weak because it has no players in the leading 100 men or 50 women in the world. It is the Lawn Tennis Association's problem that until Britain produces a decent top ten player, if not necessarily a Wimbledon champion, its policies are subject to eternal damnation.

The LTA's solution is to plod slowly up the mountain. . employing. Rightly, it reasons that if more people, and particularly more juniors, are playing, the greater the chance of a champion emerging. In Germany, the rise of Boris Becker and Steffi Graf was preceded by years of investment in facilities and coaches in the clubs. Maybe it was coincidence that two great champions emerged from towns barely ten miles apart, but the gate was there for them to walk through. Becker could have played professional football, Graf could conceivably have run for her country at 400 metres. In Britain, they probably would have done so.

According to a continuous study being carried out for the Institute of Child Health, supported by the Sports Council, elite juniors have to do a round trip of 37.89 miles on average to find the main training facility for tennis. With swimming, the figure is 13.96 miles, for football 21.05 miles. The cost of financing a talented junior can be as high as £3,000 or £4,000 a year. Not many parents have that much to spare.

On almost every count, from the number of indoor might be heresy to another. is no point waiting to catch up. Potential champions have to be hunted down, taken out of their homes and force-fed. courts to number of tourforce-fed a diet of tennis, fitness, competition and mental endurance to kit them out for the rigours of the

international circuit. At the LTA School at Rover, the ten boys and four the book the whole time."

Beneath an air hall on the mornings and practise in the outskirts of Hemel Hempafternoons. In the evening, they do fitness training with a former British sprinter, Steve Green. These are the crème de la crème of British juniors and they will be at Bisham for own experienced theories to



In the second part of The Times series examining the state of British junior tennis ANDREW LONGMORE Tennis Correspondent, looks at the methods the coaches are

three years. Nationally, their standards are high. Bisham boys won all the under-16 national titles this year. Internationally, it is rather harder to tell. The first graduates ~ Danny Sansford, Ulli Nganga and Colin Beecher - are still struggling to come to terms with life as a professional and no promises are being made about the future of the current batch.

"We hope they will fulfill their potential. That's our aim," Derek Bone, the head nonsense to say we are going to produce a Wimbledon champion here. We hope to provide a realistic jumping-off point for the professional

The thinking and the coaching at Bisham tends to be traditional. Get the technique right and the rest will follow. "Excellence comes only from putting in the hours and getting the right coaching early," Bone says. "It's 90 per cent perspiration, ten per cent inspiration." But what is the right coaching? Good technique to one coach

so much pressure on us to say you've got to do it this way. If a shot is unorthodox but works for a player, why change it as long as the basics are right at the moment of Bisham Abbey, sponsored by impact? We mustn't stick by

Beneath an air hall on the stead, Chris Bradnam, the first British national champion, and a psychologist, Phil Fearon, would agree with



Girl in a bubble: Shirli-Ann Siddall, a double junior champion, seeks improvement by training in an air hall

work on a few hand-picked juniors. One, Shirli-Ann Siddall, won both the under-16 and under-18 titles at the last grass-court championships at Eastbourne.

Quiet, cautious and determined, Sid, as she is nicknamed, is about as good as you can get from the present system and Bradnam had to work hard to persuade the girl's parents that he and not the LTA would be the best guide to the twisty but poten-tially very rewarding road

"She had developed a way to win at her level, but she needed to be stretched without hurring her confidence. It's one of the problems at the moment that our best juniors don't get the competition they need. They tend to be playing and beating the same

people the whole Bradnam said. His ideas of coaching can be summed up in two words:

be positive. "Instead of concentrating on a child's weaknesses, I want to look at trengths and work on those. If Chris Evert had come from Britain, for example, she would have been made to volley and play a single-handed backhand. Jimmy Connors had a dreadful approach forehand. But they worked their game round their strengths.

Bradnam says: "Instead of filling children's heads full of technique, work on what they do naturally. If a child cannot play a high backhand, don't practise high backhands for hours on end, try and find a way to shot too often."

Psychological training is an integral part of the system at Bradnam's centre. The five girls and two boys (plus Nick Fulwood, who is aged 26) are continually encouraged to analyse their own and their opponents' games so that when the moment comes when they have to win a match, they know what to do. They are being taught the art of matchplay rather than just technique, to control their minds as well as their bodies. Each session is carefully structured and then analysed

"I've not come across one British player who really knows the strengths of his or her game. That's got to be down to the coaching."

Bradnam's centre was only

If the handling activities of goalkeepers were restricted to

the goal area, the need to consider enlarging the goals would not arise and the game

would again become the spec-

tacle it was prior to the adoption

of the senseless continental rul-

ing whereby the ball is dead in

the possession of the goalkeeper.

Thereby so is the game of football dead for me.

answer was that it was a fiat

Most unsatisfactory.

thought, what with American football, Australian rules foot-

ball and rugby football to think that "soccer" has the divine

United States, where "football

means their brand, it is high

time there was another name.

Yours faithfully.
GOWER DAVIES.

Now, with the next World

right to be called "football".

was a rather coarse

Yours sincerely.

DOUG SMITH.

The Ponderosa

it is being financed almost entirely by David Evans, a former chairman of Luton Town FC and MP for Wel-wyn Hatfield, who has guaranteed personal backing for two years. To survive and realise his dream of a series of centres of excellence. Bradnam badły needs sponsorship. He has already chosen one boy, a nine-yearold, to join the centre next

year and found another, an

untutored 12-year-old from Hanwell in London, who

soundly trounced an LTA national junior semi-finalist. The raw material is there. it just needs making up right," he says.

TOMORROW

Lesson from abroad

SPORTS LETTERS

When a fluke is not a fluke

Sir, I have thought for a long time that a fluke in top-class snooker is not always the fluke it appears to be, and Henry Kelly's strictures on the Reading snooker crowd (October 23). while theoretically justified, are not entirely fair.

Assuming a "true" table, with no residual abnormalities in its surface and cushions, an object ball aimed reasonably ac-curately and without inbuilt bias at one pocket, is dynamically aimed at all the pockets equally. and, if it misses the object pocket, is quite likely to travel round the table and find another pocket, by the basic laws of dynamic reflection.

If a ball aimed at one corner

From Mr William J. Mitchell pocket hits the pocket corner and skims along the cushion to before school the opposite corner and finds the pocket there. I find this no From Mr Douglas A. Raine more reprehensible than one of Jimmy White's "doubles"

> As Henry Kelly admits, the players grin indulgently at one another after such luck, and, if the crowd goes wild, it is only because they want the player to get what he aimed for, but was denied by bad luck, as they see

ied skiers. They also took part in

pics in America this year, bring-

the world disabled winter olym-

ing back several medals. The Duchess of York, pairon of the

Services ski championship, never fails to encourage our

When one realises the effort

needed for ski racing when one is able bodied, one can imagine

how much more effort and courage handicapped skiers re-

quire. Therefore, it would be good to acknowledge the participation of people who

Yours faithfully

18 Burnett Park.

VERICA PEACOCK, Nash Dom.

skiers in their endeavours.

which find the opposing centre

pocket by reflection from the

Yours very truly.
W. J. MITCHELL. 27 Stokes Court.

Additional stars From Mrs Verica Peacuck

Sir. Your caption to the photograph of Torvill and Dean (October 8), enumerating the participants in the Royal Gala held in aid of the Sports Aid Foundation at Bracknell Leisure Centre, did not mention that disabled skiers, as well as celebrity skiers, gave a marvellous

The handicapped skiers, Erica Shaw, Claire Wake, Ruth Merry, Graham Nugent, Chris Clark, Sam Davey, Mike Hammond, Jonathan Morris, Mark Golay and Keith Hockley, all belong to the National Handi-Skiers' Association. based at Harlow and affiliated to

Most of them took part in the British Services joint ski championships at Megeve, where Mike Hammond, the manager of Harlow Ski School and an amputee, came 39th overall, beating most able-bod-

Putting club

Sir, I used to believe that my sons should put their schools before their sports clubs if a choice was inevitable. With voluntary club coaches, it should not be inevitable. If it is, I now believe the club should

My sons go to a very local state school but rugby is played for only one term. Similarly, cricket is played for two months or so and then on generally appalling pitches. To play throughout the season, they must join local clubs, which both have done. Both clubs are. like so many others, staffed by voluntary and enthusiastic coaches and both offer good facilities. The couches need moral support and continuity to develop the team, arrange fix-tures and encourage individual skills. Local sportsmasters should recognise this and sup-

The Old Albanian Club has successful under-15 and under-16 squads and has just organised tour to Gioucester for a weekend. The success of the tour was marred when a number of boys were told not to go by a local sportsmaster or face disci pline. Other schools recognised the value of the club and the tour and reorganised their own teams accordingly, and could do so by calling on some of the many boys who normally languished in the reserves.

Yours faithfulls Sports Letters may be sent by fax to 071-782 50-46. They should include a DOUGLAS RAINE. 30 Marford Road. Wheathampstead. daytime telephone number.

Goalkeepers must be curbed

From Mr Doug Smith
Sir, Football – what a misnomer there is a repeat performance. for a game which permits two players to handle the ball un-challenged in a not inconsid-

challenged in a not inconsiderable area of the playing field. watching goalkeepers collect the ball on the goalline, then pro-ceed to dribble it to the edge of the penalty area with the attacking forwards running away up field. The edge of the penalty area being reached, the ball is then bounced five or six times, wasting time which appears to be of no consideration. The ball is then booted upfield and, on small playing areas as at

Claims to a name From Mr Gower Davies

Sir, To one born and bred in Wales it was very pleasing to note that Mr Justice Harman, ina recent case (report, October 13), when told that Paul Gascoigne was a well-known foot-baller, queried: rugby or association football's Why the word "football"

should be taken to mean "soc-cer" to a Welshman, is nothing but arrogance. I queried this, many years ago, with the Welsh international rugby player, who was then head of sport at the BBC. To my recollection, his

Luck of the draw

From Mr Paul Denza Sir. The second round of the Rumbelows (formerly Littlewoods! Cup is arranged to prevent the larger clubs from facing one another, but does the reverse apply to the third round? In the last three years Liver-pool's opponents in the third round have been Everton and third round opposition from "the big five" in four consec-utive years are approximately one in 3,600; and that assumes they all reach that stage. In the three years before that. Liverpool met Everton on their way to the final against Arsenal. played Manchester United in the fourth round and, in 1984,

their third round opponents were Tottenham Hotspur.

the waiter, at a cost of is 3d

(approximately 6p). When, knowingly, I offered to pay for it

I was assured that it could be charged to my dinner account.

Scottish Rugby Union, when letters required 1thd stamps,

and paying the cost of a postal order for the amount, resulted in

a joint expenditure greater than

the cost of the cigar.

Yours etc., R. O. MURRAY,

low wrong I was!

Correspondence with the

Yours faithfully. PAUL DENZA. 85 Redington Road, NW3.

Costs increased From Dr R. O. Murray

Arsenal (twice). This year, they face Manchester United. The

nces of Liverpool facing

Sir, The green light to semiprofessionalism in rugby union football given at the recent meeting of the International Board has caused me consid-

erable disquet.

During dinner at the North
British Hotel in Edinburgh, as a guest of the Scotush Rughy Union in 1934 through having played in a final trial at Murrayfield, I learned that I had been selected to represent Scotland against Wales. To celebrate I selected a cigar proflered by

PETER BROOKER

St Albans, Hertfordshire

30 Hamilton Close.

Bricket Wood.

The Bury. Odiham, Hampshire. A delicate touch Clear distinction

From Mr Antony Powes-Lybbe From Mr Peter Brooker Sir, One grieves for Mr Mansell Sir, With regard to the Manchester United-Arsenal frain his repeated sufferings from cas (report, October 22) I have no doubt that both sides deserve hard to accept", October 22). Yet he is lucky not to have censure. However, there been driving 60 years ago in the surely a clear distinction between an excessively hard tackle time of Parry-Thomas, who, on hearing of such misfortune, was and the delaberate multiple kickapt to pronounce: "Gears should be changed with finger ing of an opponent stretched out on the ground. The former is deplorable, the latter despicable. and thumb. I have the honour to be. Sir. Yours faithfully

your obedient servant, ANTONY POWES-LYBBE. 20 Shardeloes. Amersham, Buckinghamshire. BASKETBALL

Bad habits Kingston must curb

By NICHOLAS HARLING

MISTAKES which Kingston can afford to make in domestic compension, where they can get sway with them, may prove costly if repeated in the far more demanding European Cup arena tonight. For Kingston's opponents in the first leg of the second round tie at Tolworth are CSKA Moscow, and the Soviets are more likely to punish errors than most of the teams in the Carlsberg League.
Kevin Cadle, the Kingston coach, acknowledges that such

basic aberrations as squandered points from lay-ups and free throws cannot all be explained by the fact that he has a relatively new squad under his charge this season. But unless such individual failings are rectravelling to Moscow next week with a large leeway to make up. Steve Bucknall, who has been immediately included in the England squad on his return from an unsuccessful attempt to make the grade with Los Angeles Lakers, scored 14 points for Sunderland in Tuesday's

European Cup Winners' Cup tie against PAOK Salonika. However, his contribution could not prevent Sunderland losing the home leg of the second-round in 96-89.

Four of the Kingston players on duty tourish. on duty tonight are in the England squad for the European Championship ties against Spain, Yugoslavia and West Germany next month. They are Martin Clark, Martin Henlan, Mike Griffiths and Alton Byrd,

Mike Griffiths and Alton Byrd, who is now eligible to play for his adopted country. Byrd, aged 32, came to England from New York 11 years ago.

SOLATE II (Logical Country), I have themes tempored), A Syrd, M Cort, S Succine (Subject (Servel), P James, N Scarulebury, D Sewall, T Baiogua (Thamse Valley), M Spaki, R Baibai (Wordwag), J Pogany (unetached).

Opinion divided over implications of Dayjur's draw

From Michael Seely, Racing Correspondent, New York

public as the most exciting of the British visitors. But although Ladbrokes retain the British hope at a cramped 6-4, the Morning Line, or early forecast American betting, has Dayjur as first choice at 7-2, with Mr Nickerson, who was well bearen behind the current favourite at 1000h once whereas the classic. behind the current favourite at york in August, as their 4-1 second favourite. Dancing Spree, last year's winner, and Carson City. D Wayne Lukas's exceptionally fast sprinter, are on offer at 6-1.

The difference of opinion

about the merits of an outside tant Relative, partnered by Pat draw. The British, remembering Eddery, and Priolo who will Zilzal's disastrous experience have Cash Asmussen in the from a similar position in last saddle.

DAYJUR'S draw of 13, one off the outside, for Soturday's Breeders Cup Sprint at Belmont Park may yet prove lucky for the thousands of supporters of the thousands of supporters of the explosively fast European challenge will be for the Breeders Cup mile, a race the French have already won three times with Last Tyeoon three times with Last Tycoon Dayjur has captured the and Missoue twice. After much imagination of the American thought. François Boutin depublic as the most exciting of the cided to aim Priolo at the Mile

The difference of opinion 30. Their three joint second about Dayjur's chance is regrounded in the varying views mount. Royal Academy, Disabout the merits of an outside

from a similar position in last year's Breeders' Cup in Miami, are despondent.

Not so the locals, Explaining the situation, Skiffington said:
"There's no way Dayjur can lead all the way. Our sprinters are incredibly quick breakers and if they're taken on Dayjur will have nothing left for the finish. It's fatal to be drawn on the inside. To be drawn in the hole at one is thought to be fatal. The sprints are like rugby son is drawn, at 13, gives him a chance of being, able to settle down and ride a waiting race."

Dick Hern arrived by Con
Tool less than seven inches of rain have fallen in the past fortnight with a torrential downrain have fallen in the past fortnight with a torrential downrain have fallen in the past fortnight with a torrential downrain have fallen in the past fortnight with a torrential downrain have fallen in the past fortnight with a torrential downrain have fallen in the past fortnight with a torrential downround fortnight with a torrential downround fallen in the past fortnight with a torrential downround fortnight with a torrential downround fallen in the past fortnight with a torrential downround fortnight with a torrential downround fortnight with a torrential downround fallen in the past fortnight with a torrential downround fallen in the past fortnight with a torrential downround fallen in the past fortnight with a torrential downround fortnight with a torrential downround fallen in the past fortnight with a torrential downround fallen in the past fortnight with a torrential downround fortnight with a torrential downround fortnight with a torrential downround fallen in the past fortnight with a torrential downround fallen in the past fallen.

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Dick Hern arrived by ConThe most disappointing field
corde last night and will be this year is for the Classic, which
supervising Dayjur in a five in the past three years has seen
eighths of a mile workout over those marvellous confrontathe Belmont dirt track this tions between Ferdinand and morning. But yesterday Tommy Alysheba, Alysheba and Seeking Skiffington, Sheikh Hamdan Al-The Gold, and last year the great Maktoum's American trainer, match between Sunday Silence was in charge as Brian Proctor and Easy Goer.

Wyatt to stay as Tote chairman

LORD Wyatt of Weeford is expected to be reappointed as chairman of the Horseroce Totaliser Board for another three years despite widespread opposition within Whitehall.

The Prime Minister is understood to have boushed uside the

stood to have brushed aside the advice of senior officials in the Home Office and Downing Street who favoured a new face

treet who is votated a new face from next April.

Lord Wyatt aged 72, has been chairman of the Tote since.

1976. The former Labour MP is one of Mrs. Thatcher's most vocal supporters and contribuies regular columns to news-papers which usually reflect his admiration of the Prime Minister and her policies.
The chairmanship of the Tote

cher's involvement. The Home Office, which is responsible for betting and gambling, and one of the Prime Minister's most have argued that the Tote needed a change of leader, given what they regarded as Lord Wyatt's chequered record in the

Officials highlighted the perord Wyatt's stewardship compared to other bookmaking firms. The Tote currently at-tracts £1 for every £25 bet by ounters with other bookmakers. Mrs Thatcher, who accepted

to visit Newbury racecourse during the summer, would not hear of such criticisim, according to informed sources. Al-though the length of his new term of office is still, under consideration, three years is considered more likely than 12 Lord Wyntt's reappointment

an invitation from Lord Wyatt

will disappoint some leading figures in the Jockey Club who

believe the Tote could do more to boost racing's finances.

In spite of critics inside and outside racing. Lord Wyatt is proud of his record in the job. Profits hefore tax have increased.

15 fold from £2,007 when he took over to £3,294,000, while staff. staff numbers have been out is a Downing Street-approved almost by half to 1.654.
appointment, hence Mrs That The Tote's contribution

racing, including help with building work, was more than to mullion in the year ending in March, compared to £489,1880

Betting turnover has almost doubled since 1986 from £109 willion to £200 million, and Lord . Wyatt has forecast that Tote cash turnover could in-crease by a further 25 per cent when course-to-course betting : comes on stream during next year. He is also hopeful that talks with High Street book-makers will lead to the creation of national pool betting with a large jackpoi on most Saturdays.

Griffiths reaps reward for patient approach

tale at Ascot yesterday to up-stage Martin Pipe's first treble at the Berkshire course (Richard vans writes).

Three Lakes, a six-year-old gelding who failed to reach the winner's enclosure in a brief and inglorious career in Ireland, was spotted in April by Griffiths's son, Martin, in a field near the trainer's farm at Nantgaredig. The horse was in poor shape and looked destined for the

and looked destined for the knacker's yard rather than National Hunt glory. "He had come over from Ireland 12 months before and was going to go to a riding school but the person who bought him died."

After checking with Joe Byrne, who had trained the horse in Ireland, Griffiths' son hought Three Lakes and wes-

bought Three Lakes and yesterday the purchase and time spent bringing the borse back to full fitness were rewarded with victory in the EBF Novices' Hurdle qualifier. "If he hadn't bought it, it would have died," the trainer said Norton's Coin is being aimed

at the King George VI Chase at Kempton Boxing Day and will who made all in Handicap Chase.

STRRELL Griffiths, the trainer of this year's 100-1 Cheltenham Gold Cup winner Norton's Martin Pipe beating last search produced another fairy-William Hill offer 3-1 against at Martin Pipe beating last season's tally of 224 winners after a 90-1 treble with Porto Heli, Huntworth and Fu's Lady took him onto the 40 mark. Porto Heli was given by Captain Marcos Lemos to Bryan Robson the femos Tools of Section 1 son, the former England football captain, in recognition of the entertainment provided to mil-lions of fans during the soccer

> The horse surprised owner and trainer with a comfortable victory in the Binfield Juvenile Novices Hurdle "I was not confident and told Bryan not to come," said Pipe. Pipe was even more surprised

STAT'S CRICET.

by the victory of Fu's Lady, an unfancied 6-1 chance in the two-mile United House Construction Chase. Before the race Pipe summed up the mare's pros-pects as "No chance". He was soon forced to change his mind as Peter Scudamore and Fu's Lady challenged the front-running Clever: Folly at the last and went on to win by

threequarters of a length. Fu's Lady is in the Mackeson Gold Cup at Cheltenham next

month along with Huntworth, who made all in the Bagshot

TODAY'S FIXTURES

7:30 lankess turned FOOTBALL PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First

vision: Blackburn v Notim Forest (7.0), Manchester Utd v Newcastle (7.0). Socford Utd v Igamen LEAGUE OF INTELAND: Premier & Dundah v Gahvay (8.0).

OTHER SPORT BOXING: Vacant British tight-heavy-waight title: Surge Fame v Steve Mc-Carity (Battersea Town Hail): British middleweight title eliminator: Tony Burtis

SPEEDWAY: loswich Stadium Trophy men League Challenge: Micclesbrough TABLE TENNIS: European League. Eng-TABLE TEMPORE STATE OF THE STAT

SPORT ON TV AMERICAN FOOTBALL: BSR: 17.00-18.00: Namonal Football League. BASKETBALL: Eurosport; 20.00-21.00: Highlights from the Harlem Globelrotters.

Fighters: 1930: 10-00-19,00.

FOOTBALL: BSR: 14 00-16,00: Eruddean

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GOLF: Eurosport: 15.00-18 30: Highlights of the Voice Masters from Spain: Ca: 17:00-18 00: Jumor Gotter of The Year from Portugat: 656: 90-30-91.00: US PGA HANDBALL: Borosport: 11 00-12:00 and 21:00-22:00: Highlights of the liner-national Cup from Sweden.

INTERNATIONAL MOTOR SPORT: MOBILE MOTOR SPORT NEWS: MCTORCYCLINO: 858; 22:30-23:30.

MOTOR SPORT: Screensport: 07.0010.00 and 15.30-21.00: Highlights of the San.-Remo rathy, chargeter racing, European Remy champsonships from Germany, Indy. Gart, european raffychoss, Internetional team raffychoss and NASCAR Cup. 858: 19.00-19.30: Motor World.
PARACHTUTING: Eurosport: 12.0012.30: World championship highlights
POWERBOATENG: Eurosport: 18.3019.00: Highlights of the World Championships. Las Vegas.

EQUESTRIANTSN: Eurosport: 10.00-11-00: Highlights of the World Cup series from Highspale. EUROSPORT NEWS: Eurosport: 19 39-20 00 and 01 00-01 30 (tomorrow). FISHING: BSB: 18:30-19.00. RACING: BSB: 13.30-14.00 and 23.30-mangint: Racing news. Screensport: 90.30-01.00 (tomprow): The Washington ROWING: Eurosport: 12.30-13.00: Pre- view to the World Championships in Tasmania.

SROCKER: Screensport: 10.00-12.00 World championship highlights European 14.00-16.00: Highlights of the samples from Lyons TABLE TENNIS: Empayort Of 30-09:00 and 13.00-14.00; Highlights of the US

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A full directory of foxhound packs; a detailed map of the hunting countries; Foxford on Labour's anti-hunting policy: the longest serving lady Master; Charles Barclay on horn blowing; Nicholas Budgen, MP on staghunting. 'A Backwoodsman's Year'-humorous extract from Willie Poole's book Peter Atkinson of the BFSS explains the latest ballot box threat to hunting

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5-1 Habeta, 6-1 Aardvark, 13-2 Evening Star, 8-1 Eladham, Niklas Angel, 13-1 Master Pien, 12-1 others.

3.55 WHITELANE HANDICAP (£3,587: 2m 2f) (7)

1 -835 CLASSIC STATEMENT 28 Mrs J Photon 4-5-12



Sapieha ready to set seal on Fanshawe's first season beat off the challenges of Peking Opera and Chandlery Peking Opera and Chandlery it was the Gimerack Stakes h was contesting. Regal Sabi

the field for today's Vodafone Horris Hill Stakes at Newbury includes a colt of the calibre of last year's winner Tirol, who went on to capture the 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket this

For the time being James Fanshawe, the first-season Newmarket trainer, will be happy just to see Sapieha give him as second strike at this level following Radwell's success in the group three Solario Newmarket three weeks ago: Stakes at Sandown in August. the earlier division had al-

By Mandarin

1.40 Aitch N'Bec.

3.10 SAPIEHA (nap). 3.40 City Link Pet.

4.10 West Riding 4.40 Eurolink The Lad.

Going: good to firm (good in back straight)

Long handlesp: Shay 7-8.

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BETTING: 4-1 Lambourn Raje, 6-1 Mizzwert, 7-1 Fighting Christine, 8-1 Alich N'Bae, Montpeller Lad,

S-1 Premier Prince, 16-1 Policical Power, 12-1 Sharp N'Smooth, 14-1 Cae-En-Cae, 16-1 others.

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2.10 Balleta. .40 Matador.

str) (17 runners)



Charlton: can complete

double at Newbury won the second division of the also has its appeal. Westley Maiden Stakes at Fanshawe has every reason ready fallen to stable companto have a soft spot for Sapieha, ion Environment Friend.

By Our Newmarket

Correspondent

40 NOBLE ENDEAVOUR (nap).

.40 Fighting Christine.

3.10 Sanicha.

.40 Cantoris.

4.10 West Riding.

SHAMBLES

Selections

By Michael Seely 3.10 SAPIEHA (nap). 4.10 West Riding. 4.40 Petipa.

Draw: high numbers have slight advantage up to 1m straight

1.40 PACEMAKER UPDATE RACING SCHOOL APPRENTICE HANDICAP (\$2,889: 7)

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2.10 READING MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,875: 1m 2f) (11 nunners)

1989: ANDIABRIANNA B-11 N Cartiste (25-1) J Todar 22 ren FORM FOCUS BALLETA weekened | tor to grade I winner French Charmer, REARCH 25/1

2.40 RACAL TELECOM HANDICAP (3-Y-O: \$4,859: 1m 5f 60yd) (11 (BBC1

2nd to Golden MBI at Folksstone (fin 4f, good to firm). SAYULITA weekended finst furling when a 91 4th to Venturist at Chaster (1m 2f 86x4, good, to firm). SINDING FOREVER 11 10th of 14 to Torgnis at Wolverhampton (1m 1f, imm). VARIAL GLEN 171 12th of 25 to Topassument at Newmartest (1m 1f, good), as rise of 2nd to easy tetras or Sayrus at Eath (1m 2f 50yd, firm).

he is now my nap. The form has been upheld to a large extent by Peking Opera, who finished 2½ lengths second to the highly-rated Sharifabad at Newmarket next time out.

Bearing in mind that today's race incorporates a left-handed bend fairly soon after the start. Sapicha's proven ability to make all, and therefore avoid trouble in running,

The opposition is headed by Spice Trader, who has been penalised for winning a listed race in Baden-Baden. The best English form is sported by

it was the Gimerack Stakes he was contesting, Regal Sabre was still mildly disappointing last time when he finished only fourth beaten seven

lengths.
On the jumping front at Wincanton, Panto Prince should begin another season on a triumphant note by winning the Terry Biddle-combe South Western Pattern Chase just as he did 12 months ago, this time at the expense of

Nodform.
At Southwell, Hiram B
Birdbath, unbeaten in five races on the Fibresand track there, can extend that sewho helped give him his first

As there was no semblance Regal Sabre, from Richard quence by landing the double as a trainer when he of a fluke about the way he Hannon's local stable, which quence by landing the Jack

3.10 VODAFONE HORRIS HILL STAKES (Group III: 2-Y-O coits and BBC1 geldings: 225,196: 7f 60yd md) (9 runners)

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FORM FOCUS SPICE TRADER best theory. REGAL SABRE impressed when besting the race at Baden-Baden (7), good). BOLD best Schem Beitige 41 at Newmenter (8), good to firm) in BOSTOMBAN 31 3rd to Sig Blow at Associ (7). BOLD best Subset 641 4th to Mujetind to group it Generated with Stakes at York (6), good). SAPIEHA impressed with Stakes at York (6), good). Salvest in 17 last of 9 to Subset 5 the Trade of the property of the salvest of the sa

Long hendicet: Premisy Perison 6-8.

BETTING: 4-1 Styp-A-Sniz, 8-1 Certonis, 6-1 Aughfad, 7-1 Almost Blue, 8-1 Yazzi, 9-1 Asimins, 10-1 City
Link Pet, Lake Missessiu, 12-1 Paley Prince, 14-1 others.

TIME: RESPECTABLE JONES 3-7-8 N Certisto (25-1) G Bakling 27 rant

FORM FOCUS ALMOST BLUE %! 2nd to Sice Barry on perulimente start in Ascot herdicap (5f., good), with CANTONES (2b better off) %! 3nd. ALIGHFAD led close name to beat \$LUP-A-SNEP (5b better off) %! 3nd. ALIGHFAD led close name to beat \$LUP-A-SNEP (5b better off) %! 3nd. ALIGHFAD (2b better off) meck on perulimente start in Goodwood hendicap (5f. good to soft) with FRESELEY PARKSON (7b worse off) and and CITY LINK PET 9n. YAAZI best Guns And Roses %! on perulimente start in Newmanyth handson (5f., good) to firm) with CANTONES (3b worse off) 3l 5th. CANTONES 4%! 7th of 17 to

4.10 EBF THEALE MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: \$4,272: 61) (17 runners) (::85C2.*

CHEPS BABU (J At) B Nantury 9-0 B Raymond DUPLOTY (J Khan) L Hoti 9-0 A McGlone LOUDEST WHISPER (R Richards) C British 9-0 M Roberts M Roberts S (Ats J Murray Smith) D Murray Smith 9-0. R Wormson 89 EVESTO DEL SOL 6 (Ats J Murray Smith) D Murray Smith 9-0. R Wormson 81 SILVER DILLEMMA 15 (SP) (G Strawbridge) i Belding 9-0. S Cauthon 9-99 SPANSARDS CLOSE (Auon Industries Ltd) P Markin 9-0. T Speaks (S) B TAKADDUB 13 (H A-Maidoum) P Wateryn 9-0. R HUB9 94 C TREMBALINO 23 (Ats A Hil) R Smyth 9-0. W However CQ WEST RIDING (Shake Monammed) J Goeden 9-0 Pet Eddery 9 OUEEN OF SHARRON 13 (G Kilkoughery) C Horgen 8-9 S Whitworth PEADUNG LIGHT (St John O'Connell) R Hennon 8-9 S Raise SARAPCSA (Ht Aga 10ter) M Stoute 8-9. WR Swinshum SASSY LASSY (Kramer) W Hestings-Bass 8-9. Date Gibson (3) 5-2 West Riding, 7-2 Suraposa, 5-1 Salve Dilemms, 10-1 Chiefs Babu, Loudest Whisper, 12-9 Heading Light, Taksadown, 16-1 others.

1989: HEART OF JOY 8-8 W R Swinburn (9-4 fav) M Stouts 24 ran

FORM FOCUS PUESTO DEL SOL slow away 81 7th to slow away 81 7th to chimnyo in Newmerket maiden (67, good). SLLVER NOLEMNA 4% 3rd to Roger De Berksed in York maiden (67, good to firm).

CHEP'S BABU (lossed Mar 5, cost 5,800gns) by CHEP'S BABU (loss

4.40 LETCOMBE HANDICAP (£5,127: 1m str) (20 runners)

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1 (8) 6-2101 YOUNG JAZZ 5 (DLF,Q) (Burning Tree Farm) G Herwood 4-10-0 (6ac) R Cochrame 94
2 (15) 910011- 3AYMORE 184 (CD,F,S) (J Livoch) C Brooks 4-9-10... A Tucker (7) 84
3 (10) 281415 EUROLINE THE LAD 20 (CB,FF) (Eurolini Ltd.) J Dunlop 3-9-9... 5 Cauchen 4
4 (2) 160000 ASSONAL 12 (D,F) (R Hornell) R Herrich 3-9-8... J Cervoll 90
5 (20) 2221 ARABAT 28 (5) (Mrs C Heart) L Currueri 3-9-7... L Piggrati 80
6 (17) 3802800 GYTTERIGATLE 32 (CD,G,S) (Mrs L Wigram) P Walwyn 5-9-6... Pat Eddary 7 (14) 230200 AKBERD 12 (D,F,G) (Mrs D Weetherby) C Netson 3-9-6... B Raymond 97
8 (13) 314356 SAPPHO COMET 86 (D,F,G) (Theomas Pillington) J Dunlop 4-9-5 A Madison 90
9 (3) 4-22P4 HOCRAY LADY 13 (D,F,G) (Theomas Pillington) J Dunlop 4-9-5 A Madison 90
10 (12) 666401 PETPA 14 (D,F,G) (J Lazzar) R Hennon 3-9-2... B Rouse 95
11 (5) 660401 YOU ARE A STAR 24 (D,F,G) (Liris M Berwell) M Tompkins 4-0-0... R HSta 95
12 (11) 21/5000 MUTHANGA 14 (G) (A Bengough) J Toler 4-9-10... W R Dunlebarn 92
13 (18) 316000 SOURBIVILLE 12 (V,F,G) (Mrs B Lee) D Arbuthoot 4-9-9... G Buster 9-95
14 (1) 25104 TAXE REART 63 (D,F) (C Herren) D Elsevorth 4-9-7... W Revenes 92
15 (19) 830-800 BURPASSING 12 (F) (D Slevi) C Britain 3-8-8... M Roberts 93
16 (4) Se1001 FAYWALZ 17 (F) (N Aboobalzar) X Brassey 4-9-4... Dale Glove (3) 95
16 (7) 22235 LA BELLE VIZ 7 (F,G) (Robin Lawson) D Wison 4-8-2... N Adams 95
19 (9) 0-63 ATHLON 25 (M Persocos) M Francis 3-7-10... C Patre 97
1 Long Mendicapy Almastric Pets 7-3.

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BETTING: 5-1 Putpe, 7-1 Arabet, 8-1 Eurolink The Lad, Young Jezz, 9-1 Americ Pets, 10-1 Feynez, 7

Are A Star, 12-1 Take Heart, Kiya, 14-1 Ottergeyle, 16-1 Bournville, Absonzi, 23-1 others.

1989: SAYMORE 3-8-7 L Dettort (33-1) M Francis 27 ren

08 ABSO 208 (P F Oliver) R Hermon 9-0 05 BACHELOR 60Y 19 (kirs M Hurd) W Wigneman 9-0 BARIDG (H AMMISTOURIN C Benefied 9-0 CHEPS BABU (J AS) 2 Herbury 9-0

3.40 ROUND OAK HANDICAP (£4,737: 5f) (12 runners)

Asmussen **PONTEFRACT** links with

Selections By Mandarin

2.25 Sheyrann, 2.55 Naval Fan, 3.25 Cheerful Times, 3.55 Apache Prince, 4.25 Welsh Secret, 4.55 Cruise Party.

By Our Newmarker Correspondent 2.25 Sheyrann, 2.55 Gozone, 3.25 Niklas Angel, 3.55 Apache Prince, 4.25 Gallery Artist, 4.55 Cruise Party.

Going: good to firm Draw: 51-61, low numbers best \$2,734: 1m 40 (11 runners)

are trained by John Hammond, the up-and-coming Chantilly-based Englishman, the others being divided between Robert Collet and Marcel Rolland. Asmussen also denied ru mours of a permanent link with David Elsworth. "I will ride in Britain whenever I am available but I have no retainer with Mr Elsworth," he said.

Per Quod (Bruce Raymond) timished about 21% lengths third to Sable D'Or in Prix Massine at Saint-Cloud yesterday.

BBC1

R Perhans (5) — — N Adems — C Rutter —

Chalhoub

CASH Asmussen is to accept a

retainer with owner Henri Chalhoub for 1941 (Our French

Racing Correspondent writes).
Asmussen has been acting as an unofficial racing manager for Chalhoub this season but, following his split with Andre Fabre, he will ride for the owner as a few all ride for the owner.

on a formal footing next term.

Most of Chalhoub's 40 horses

M Wighton 6 2 1122 APACHE PRINCS 16 (SF,D,F,G) D Morkey 3-9-3 Doen McKerom 7 3 1548 NORTHWOLD STAR 5 (D,F,G) D Thom 49-3 2.25 BROOMFIELD MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: 9-4 Apache Prince, 7-2 Bestow, 9-2 Classic Statement, 6-1 rithwood Star, 8-1 Grace Card, 12-1 others. #2,734: 101 40 (11 Furners) 1 529 ARGARICS 16 (BF) G Harwood 9-0. 2 0384 BENZINE 12 M Janus 9-0. 3 52 FRENCH IVY 8-J Gosden 9-0. 4 5029 KISHN PLAYER 108 B HORS 9-0. 5 6 PROVENCE 18 F Harms 9-0. 6 222 SESEYRAND 15 L Cumpil 9-0. 7 E2 CUT IN STONE 61 J Farshews 8-9. 8 FAIRE FAILTE A Jones 8-9. 9 20 KALOGY 35 G Prichard-Gordon 8-9. Deaper 10 629 MAGGAL SPRIT 21 M STOUR 8-9. 11 3234 TOTHAM 8 (BF) G Wragg 8-9. 5-2 Sharman 7-2 Tothers 6-1 Faculty for Cut In Stours 10 P. 4.25 BROCADALE NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £3,392: 60 (13) 1 1204 SMRLING SUM 17 (D.G) W O Gormen 9-7 A Manna 7 2 1202 DREAM OF TOMOURROW 9 (D.F) J Berry 9-2 M Hilbs 12 3 863 DIAMONO INTHE DARK 36 (6) S Norton 9-0 A Culbano 4 4 6339 FAMOUS FELLOW 16 (B) J Glover 9-0 Deen McKeown 3 2.55 BLACKMIRES CLAIMING STAKES (£2,532: 5f) (13) 10 6455 CURRIDIO PLAN 36 T Barron 5-0 ______ T Williams 9 11 4560 COME 17 (8) I Faithurs 7-11... _____ J Faithurs (5) 2 12 6546 GELEDOUBLEYOU 24 (D,F) R Hollanshead 7-11 13 0202 WELSH SECRET 8 Mrs J Remisden 7-5... ____ J Lowe 1 1 5111 NAVAL FAN 15 (CD,F,G,S) M H Easterby 4-9-1 2 0063 EAGER DEVA 8 (b,F) R Holimshead 3-9-0. S Ponto 12 3 5214 PROMETTION 27 (BF,F,G,S) J Berry 3-9-0. L Dettort 4 4 0011 TOSHEA COMET 27 (B,G,S) W Pourca 3-9-0 Nicholfs 3 7-2 Dreem of Tomorrow, 9-2 Welsh Secret, 5-1 Diamond Inthe Dark, 13-2 Tangaloa, 8-1 others. 4.55 PACKSADDLE MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: 8 4038 MAID WELCOME 2 (BLD,F) Mrs N Macauley 3-8-5 Emme O'Common (7) 6 9 2003 ALL FIRED UP 20 (B,D,F,G) R Wilkarts 3-8-1 D NoRend (5) 2 £3,131: 1m) (22) 10 4000 ANYTHE ANYWHERE 48 (CO.F.G) Mrs G Rimeter 3-8-1 J Lowe 1 13-8 Naval Fan, 11-4 Toshtos Cornet, 9-2 Prohibition, 8-1 zone, 10-1 Eager Deva, 12-1 others. Amanda I MAY SOUARE 30 O Morley 9-0 T W MISTER GOFF 8 S Norron 9-0 T W MISTER GOFF 8 S Norron 9-0 B C O WILDNOWN 15 N O TWAIT 9-0 B C RUN FOR AECK A SCOT 9-0 G E 3.25 WHITELANE APPRENTICE SERIES HANDICAP (£3,057: 1m) (22) HANDICAP (£3,057: 1m) (22) 1 389 AARDVARK 5 (£7,6) R Whiteley 4-10-0_ S Turnor 21 1,0- Welsh GOVERNOR 487 (P) E Owen jun 4-9-12 Androa Elwell (§5; 5) 1 Wates 4-9-10_ D Holland; 1 4 0049 CHEERFUL TIMES 14 (£0,7,6,8) 8 McMatten 7-5-4 5 1100 XAFU XAFU 22 (0,F) M Tompkins 4-9-2. C hodgeon 13 5 1005 MASTER PLAN 27 (£0,F,6,8) 15 Weson 4-9-2. — 15 7 2009 BMSS SARAJAME N (£0,F,6,8) R Hollandand 6-9-1 E therband (§6; 4 8 0513 ELADHAM 37J (£F,F) M Hammond 4-9-0 KSS SCRIM (\$2,9) 9 2054 SAN ROCUE 23 (£0,F) D Morley 5-13... E Bentley 2 10 0041 EVENING STAR 22 (0,5) A Hide 4-8-11... E Ruster 19 11 0050 GREAT SERVICE 8 (5,5) Roneld Thompson 3-8-10 L Mewison 12 RUN FOR HICK A SCOT 9-0 G Buffred 25 WATCH IT MATEY D Mortey 9-0 G Carter 15 AAAGRAM W Stoute 8-9 F D'Aury 12 GELEGART APPROACH 30 W Haigh 8-9 R Lappin 8 FOREARANCE M JOHNSON 8-9 Deep Mickagen 6 8 INGH KICKSNG 21 J Wests 8-9 Deep Mickagen 6 4 INGH SA VANKAM 21 W JAVYS 8-9 M Hible 15 6 KIT DESCRE 15 Mrs G Reveley 8-9 J Loven 11 ROSE ALTO J FAIRShare 6-9 N Day 17 1 But En Wild 2 Liber Schange 7-2 Coulo Sant 2-1 Run For Nick, 3-1 High Savannah, 7-2 Cruise Party, 8-1 lagram, 8-1 High Kicking, 12-1 May Squara, 14-1 others.

Course specialists

TRABERS: G Harwood. 11 winners from 22 numers. 50 0%; L Currani, 9 from 23. 35 1%; G Balding, 3 from 10, 30 0%; tv Janes, 5 from 18, 27 8%; M Stoute, 8 from 31, 25.8%; G Pratharo-Gordon, 5 from 20 25.0%.

JOCKEYS: D Hotbard, 4 winners from 9 rides, 44.4%; L Dettors, 5 from 18, 27 8%, A Clark, 5 from 20, 25 0%. W Ryan, 17 from 63, 20.5%; M Hats, 11 from 58, 19.0%, A Munro, 9 from 48, 16.8%.

SOUTHWELL

12 9000 PEAK DISTRICT 117 K Bridgwater 4-9-10 ... — 14 13 6000 MICE MANA 17 (D.F.G.S) W Pearce 5-9-8 G Humbers 6 14 50-9 SUPER MORNING 22 (S) G Bassing 4-8-7 Traces Permedieve 20 Tracey Pursegieve 20
15 3550 HONEY BOY SINEA 25 (V,D,F,G) M O'Ned 4-6-7
A Wholes (4) 11

Selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Hiram B Birdbath, 2.45 Great Frienship, 3.15 Pricheott Hill, 3.45 Height Of Fun, 4.15 Bonnie Arust. 4.45 Centre Attraction.

Going: good (chase course); standard (hurdles) 2.15 JACK LEVY MEMORIAL TROPHY HANDICAP

1 1011 HIRAM B BIRDSATH 5 (B,CD,S) J Glover 4-12-1 (Sex) F Waltie (7) 2 USU- BARTHAS STAR 149 (CD,F,G,S) P Bevan 10-11-4 R Damwoody 3 112 CHANTRY BARTLE 13 (BF,C,F) C Thomson 4-10-8

8 434 COUGAR 145 A Reid 4-10-0 7-4 Chantry Bartle, 5-2 Heam B Birdbath, 5-1 Brilliani Wish, 6-1 Olympus Reof, 19-1 Major Fradio, 14-1 others. 2.45 DESIGN CONTRACTORS (MIDLANDS) LTD SELLING HURDLE (£1,870: 2m) (16)

4 ABLE ROCKET SPF D Morril 18-9 S J O' Nettl
66 ADAMAR 2F M Chapman 10-9 F Murrogh (7)
ALLEBYS JOY 14F R Fisher 10-9 P Niven
AMAZAICE 14F C Duyer 10-9 J J Gunn
GREAT FRIENDSHIP SF C Thomson 10-9 D Wilchison
F HARVEST MINISTREL 28 D Burchel 10-9 S Davies (5)

3-1 Stradbroks, 7-2 Great Friendship, 5-1 Amazaka, 7-1 Able Rocket, 10-1 Harvest Mestrel, Pharty Fizz, 14-1 others. 3.15 EBF NOVICES HURDLE (Qualifier: £1,917: 2m) (7)

271) (7)
1 2P-1 CARTHAGENA COTTAGE 29 (CD) Mrs V Aconicy
5-11-5.1 Control (7)
2 PP-P HAWAIIAN PRINCE 15 (Y) B Crawford 5-11-0
J Michaechin
3 5 LE BON CHANCE 23 R Hood 5-11-0
M Hood (9)
4 80-1 PITCHCOTT HILL 12 (F) D Nicholson 5-11-0
R Derwinoldy R Durwoody
S 1/0- STRONG SREEZE 288 R Fisher 6-11-0... H Roche
ARBEE TWENTY R Weever 4-10-13...... R Bollery (5)
PP- CARTREF 302 Mrs JB Evans 4-10-8...... C Gallegher 5-4 Cartragena Cottage, 6-4 Prichcott Hill, 8-1 Strong Breeze, 10-1 Le Bon Chence, 16-1 Arbee Twenty, 40-1 others.

3.45 BET WITH THE TOTE NOVICES CHASE (Qualifier: £2,446: 3m 100yd) (12)

1 33-1 VIKING ROCKET 12 (D.C.S) C Parker 8-11-1. B Storey
8 BIGANARD Urs 5 Armysigs 9-10-13. M Scoley
3 529- BULLET TRAIN 187 (5) 14/15 S Smith 7-10-13 R Symple
4 55)- CENTRAS PREBUILD 537 J Upson 6-10-13. R Symple
5 (DP- EVEN SMARTER 35) R Les 7-10-13... R Grooms (7)
6 521- MEIGHT OF FUN 158 (P) O Sherwood 6-10-13. J Osborne 7 P//- LITTLE BRYMA 1022 L Parry 8-10-13. W Wortungto 8 110- SEKON DAKSAN 322 (F,G) W G M Turner 7-10-13 9 2. WOOLMANS 167 S McMath 11:10-13 A Carroll 10 5-03 SIMPLE PLEASURE 19 Wrs M Spr 5-10-10. A Oracroll 1-445 SSTER SAM 7 R Bar 10-10-6 PM N Tusty 12 1-44 TYPHOON LUCY 9 (SF,F) Mrs G Reveley 6-10-8 2-1 Height Of Fun, 3-1 Viking Rocket, 6-1 Senon Daman, 7-1 Typhoon Lucy, 8-1 Wootmans, 12-1 offiers.

4.15 COLONEL R THOMPSON MEMORIAL TROPHY HANDICAP CHASE (£2,511: Sm 100yd)

1 23F- BONNIE ARTIST 192 (D.F.Q.) W A Suphenson 6-11-16 C Grant 2 03-3 QUEEN'S BAY LAD 9 (F,G) Mrs S Smith 6-11-9 R Stronge 3 44-1 TARTAN TERPEST 7 (D,G,S) G Richards 7-11-5 (des) N Coughty 4 29/- BORDER TINKER 553 (CD,F,S) D Dutton 10-11-3 4 27/- SUMMEN 1990-11 (D.F.G.S) W Cay 13-10-10
R Bayon (2)

6 SU-4 WILD ARGOSY 7 (F.G.S) T SU 11-10-5 J FINSTAY 7 -ROP OISING CASTLE FB (G.S) F RVIN 11-10-5 S J O'Medi 6 2228 CONFIDENT VOTE 7 Mrs G Reveloy 6-10-0 P Nivon 6-4 Tartan Tempest, 3-1 Bonne Artist, 5-1 Queen's Bay Lad, 8-1 Wild Argosy, 10-1 Ardem S\$y, 12-1 C

4.45 GRASMERE HANDICAP CHASE (£2,175: 2m)

1 338 OVER THE ROAD 533 (5) J Upson 5-12-0... R Supplis 2 48-5 CENTRE ATTRACTION 7 (D,F,Q,S) G Remarks 11-11-10 N Douglety 3 110- KNOCKERACK 201 (0,F,G,S) G Ham 10-11-1 4 322- ROY PRINCE 150 (D,F) W Clay 7-10-0...... R Bevan (5) 6-4 knockbrack, 2-1 Centre Attraction, 5-4 Over The Road, 10-1 Roy Prince.

Course specialists

TRAINERS: O Sher-wood, 6 winners from 12 runners, 50.0%; J Upson, 8 from 19, 42 1%, G Richards, 23 from 78, 25.2%, Mrs V Aconiey, 3 from 12, 25.0%, D Surched, 10 from 41, 24.4%, J Glover, 7 from 29, 24.1%.

JOCKEYS: F Whittle, 5 winners from 6 ricles, 63.3%; Gery Lyons, 15 from 60, 25.0%. G 6/satley, 12 from 46, 25.0%. N Doughty, 7 from 29, 24.1%, R Supple, 6 from 27, 22.2%; J Osborne, 7 from 36, 18.3%.

Yesterday's results

Going: firm

1.30 (2m hole) 1, PORTO NEU (P Scudamore, 100-30): 2, Takeover Talk (M Perrett 9-4 fav); 3, Lustremen (Lorna Vincem, 9-2), ALSO RAN 6 Eb-Yernou (4m), 8 Northern Village (5th), 10 Arabian Stence, They All Forgoti Me (5th), 17 can 2's, 20, 8, 121, 151, M Pape at Wellington, Tote: 53,40; 52,00, 51,70, DF: 53,10. CSF: 510.96.

2.0 (3m ch) 1, HUNTWORTH (Mr A Walter, 2-1), 2, Welsh Oek (R Dunwoody, 2-1); 3, Seegram (R Greene, 11-8 lav), 2 ran. 1-1, 3-1, M Pupe 21 Wetington, Tote: 53.00 DF, 52.20 CSF \$5.36 2.35 (2m ch) 1. FU'S LADY (P Scucamore, 6-1); 2. Clover Folly (N Doughly, 7-2), 3, Camprass-Ash (D Murphy, 5-2 lay), ALSO RAN, 11-4 Noralmoun (gsu) 5 Hogmanay (4th) 5 ran, '41, 51, 251 M Pipe at Wellington Tore £5 10, £1-70, £2 30, DF, £13 20, CSF, £23 38.

3.10 (2m nde) 1. THREE LAKES (A Justes, B-2), 2. Mint-Marger II. Harvey, 8-15 lov); 3. Mr. Feltz (T. Grannam, 9-2). ALSO RAN-33 Apple Ptp (I) 4 rzn. 5l, 1 h. S. Griffins at Carmarthen, Yota; £5.20. DF. £2.40. CSF, £8.88.

3.40 (2m 4f ch) 1, ALDRA BOND (R Supple, 2-1); 2, Sonatio (B Powel, 12-1); 3, Gennerol Jennes, 17 Grammam, 3-1); ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Picador (pu), 16 Dr Johyš (4m) 5 ran, 5; (2), Bl K Burks at Newerk, Totar: 22.70; E1 60, £2 30. DF; £10.40. CSF, £18 11.

4.10 (2m 41 hde) 1. COWORTH PARK (T Pinhed, 11-4 (av), 2. Canch The Cross (M Foster, 5-1); 3. Rare Luck (Feerner Man-ford, 3D-1). ALSO FAM: 103-30 Look Lively (4th), 4 Fectolum (5th), 9-2 None So Wee (pu), 66 Train Pobbes (6th) 7 rzn 7 rzn, 1-1, 25t, 3-1, 11-4, 5t, P. Minchell at Ensom. Toes: £3 90, £2.40, £2 60. DF. £16.30 CSF: £15 11. Jackpot: £10,066.60. Piscopot: £978.50.

29.81 sec. 29.81 sec. 29.81 sec. 29.81 sec. 29.67 t 122 v0 1. Worldbeth (G Duffreid, 9-2; 2 valid Point (4-1); 3. Tunec Auction (9-1) Rise Up Swiging 11-4 fav. 8 ran NH. Crystel Jack. 15-1, 7 J. Wetts 15-9 £ 4.80; 21 70, 21.50, 21.80 DF; E7.00 CSF; E1991, Treast £ 119.07; E7.00 CSF; E1991, Treast £ 119.07 De Berksted (Par Edony, 11-10 favi. 2, Marabag (7-4) 3, Hettos (11-1) 5 fan 25-1, 20 J. Gosden, 10-8 £ 1.90, 21.50, £ 1.20 DF; £ 1.70 CSF; £ 3.38. 23.38.

3.0 (71 122yd) 1 Two Left Feet (G Dull-leid, 20-1), 2. Soorang Smon (16-1); 3. Anodyne (9-4 lev) 13 ran. 10, 2-1 M Prescott. Tote £19.80, £4-20 £3.30. \$2.00 DF. £173.20 CSF £263.34. Yncast £916.05. 4.0 (1m 4f 65yd) 1, Spode's Blue (1) Hotand, evens fav); 2. Tarbucan! (S Perks, 20-1); 3, Erevnon (16-1); 5 ngn. KR:

Eddery faces stewards at Chester

PAT Eddery, the first jockey for 38 years to ride 200 Flat winners in a season, had to face the

The officials thought he might the heavy ground and had no more to give.

Blinkered first time

311 (9) OSS TRUE BELL 104 (G Market) H Carson (T-9). 5 Develor STRIE BELL 104 (G Market) H Cardy 7-9. 5 Develor SETTIME: 4-1 Metador, 9-2 Noble Endesvour, 5-1 Ambrose, 7-1 Silent Girl, 8-1 FeE Orchestra, Shad Eard, 16-1 Duggan, True Bill, 12-1 Bookcase, 14-1 Grey Power, 16-1 Myhamet.

7989: NATIVE MAGIC 5-7 W Carson (16-1) R Armstrong 17 ren FORM FOCUS MATADOR creditable in a competitive Kempton (1m 44, good) handicap. Ition race. Sil.ENT (ISML never negrer 8%) 8th of 14 to Roll A Dollar at Newmarket (1m 44, good); serier in a competitive Kempton (1m 44, good) handicap. Full. ORCHESTRA, disappointing issest, better lead on previous at his detect of Barrymore at Wingsor (1m 21 22yd, good to firm). House ENDEAVOUR notion cust to best Ben Achem (1st 44, good) with Alatanose (1st 45, good) with Alatanose (1st 45, good) with Alatanose (1st 45, good) and the series (1st 45, good) with Alatanose (1st 45, good) with Alatanose (1st 45, good) and the series (1st 45, good) with Alatanose (1st 45, good) and the series (1st 45, good) with Alatanose (1st 45, good) and the series (1st 45, good) with Alatanose (1st 45, good) and the series (1st 45, good) with Alatanose (1st 45, good) and the series (1st 45, good) with Alatanose (1st 45, good) with Alatanose (1st 45, good) and the series (1st 45, good) with Alatanose (1st 45, good) wit Course specialists Rides Per cent 19 21 1 283 19 8 341 182 176 15.9 235 13.2 207 10 6 L Progett S Ceuthen Pat Edgery M Roberts W R Swinburn R Cochrane WINCANTON Selections By Mandarin -3.00 Panto Prince. 3.30 Aberoy. 1.30 Belmoredean. 2.00 Coruscute. 2.30 Golden Vintage. 4.00 Winters Hill. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating 2.00 CORUSCATE. SIS Going: firm 1.30 WITCHAMPTON NOVICES HURDLE (£1,940: 2m) (11 numers) 1 SPYTPRE JUBILEE 7 (D.F) (Mrs P Burks) R Hodges 4-11-3.
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S THABER 23 (O Bess) K Camangham-Broot 4-10-5 R Guest BETTRIKE 5-2 Spoths Jubies, 11-4 Charden, Lucky Crystal, 5-1 Pant Lim, 8-1 Belmoradaen, 12-1 RECORDS Werner, 16-1 Citiers. THE MO CORRESPONDING RACE 2.0 SOUTH-WEST RACECOURSES NOVICES CHASE (Amateurs: £2,290: 2m 5f) (8 BETTING: 7-4 Coruscies, 3-1 Mr Diplomate. 5-1 Sammy The Sea Lion, 8-1 The Rector, 14-1 Leningrad, fibundi Chemania. 16-1 Leura's Saw. 25-7 Red Bob.
1888: BROKZE FIREAL 8-11-4 FI Rowe (2-1) J Gifford 8 ren 2.30 BLANDFORD HANDICAP HURDLE (\$1,903; 2m) (7 runners)

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2 3597-32 PRIDEAUX BOY 23 (C.F.G.S) (Fouch Foods Ltd) C Roach 12-11-8.
3 013213- NGOFORM 257 (F.G.S) (H Joe) J Gifford 5-11-0. SETTING: 4-5 Panto Prince, 3-1 Notiform, 10-1 Pridegux Boy. 1989: PANTO PRINCE 8-11-8 B Powell (2-9 tev) C Pophem 6 ran 3.30 BLACKDOWN HANDICAP CHASE (\$2,872: 3m 1f) (6 runners) Long handicap: Major Tom 9-13. BETTING: 9-4 Chancery Buck, 3-7 Aberby, 9-2 Major Tom, 13-2 Rare Bid, Struell Royale, 12-1 1989: BAJAN SURSHORE 10-12-0 P Soudamore (9-4) C Brooks 3 run 4.0 NETHER WALLOP NOVICES HURDLE (£1,758: 2m 6f) (10 runners) BETTRICE 10-11 Witners Hill, 7-2 Spanding Cinders, 8-1 Paradise Park, 17-2 Fred Splended, 14-1 Acron. Line, 16-1 Archoflow, Henley's Rocket, 20-1 others.

1985: SOMON DAMMAN 6-10-7 P Holley (8-4) W G M Turner 8 ran Course specialists

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4.30 (2m 41 ch) 1, Trippoint Charle (G Grant, 6-1). 2, Sure Metal (5-1); 3, Meanoon (10-1). Joint Soveregrity 15-8 lav. 7 rat. 18, 151. W A Stephenson. Tote: £5.40, £3.40, £2.30. GF: £14.50. CSF: £3.207. Placepott £27.10. cepat: £27.10. Edinburgh Going: good to soft 2.15 (1m) 1. Baetish (R Hais 9-2), 2 Nobe Society (20-1), 3. Davin Grey (B-1) Queen Of Inda 2-1 tay 12 ran 31 C H Tromson Jones Toc., 8-7), 52 90, 51.50, 51 10 OF, 515 90 CSF 152 52 E1.60, £1.10 DF, £15.90 CSF £22.52 2.45 (IM11 Vote in Favour : G C2 rier 4. 11. 2 Sinderd (4-9 Lay) 3, 30 Frost £0-11.5 ran Nu, 31 G Wrings 100 £0.20, £1.50. £1.10 DF £1.50 CSF £2.59 3.15 (7) 1. Putty (R P Ebrer 10-11.2 The Devis Musec 115-11.3 futercon (12-11. Master Office House 5-115-15 for 30, 61 Frost 30, £1.70. DF £50.30 CSF £150.10. Treaser £1.781.86 3.45 (10) £1.73 DF £50.30 CSF £150.10. Treaser £1.781.86

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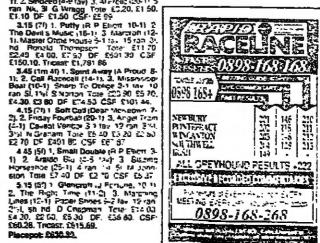
INEWC3SLIC Gother good to firm 2.0 (3m ch) 1. Derhem Edition (Mr K Johnson, 6-4): 2. Pampering (6-1), 3. Burndach Boy (33-1) Irish Red 10-11 (3v. 4 ran NR: Jack of Clubs 25. 34. W A Stephenson, Tota: £2.20. DF: £3.80. CSF: £5.5. 2.30 (2m 41 hdie) 1, Lady Tokian (Mrs A Farnal, 12-1), 2. Pada-enture (4-6 lav.), 3. True Fair (50-1) 10 (7an, NR A-4-5) Again, 6, 100. H Gill. Tota: £1.20. £2.10, £1.10, £9.60 DF: £5.30 CSF £19.55. 3.9 (3m ch) 1, Amborgato (C Grant, 4-5 lav.), 2. Boto (7-1), 5. Bue Revine (10-1), 8 ran. NR: Aston Express. 3%, 8. W A Stephenson, Tota, £1.70, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £7.90. DF: £3.20 CSF £6.62. 3.30 (2m ride) 1, Nineotics (R Garrary.

Chester stewards yesterday. have missed second place on Scribbling in the Griniada Tonight Handicap by taking maiters too easy, but accepted the champion jockey's explanations that the filly was very fixed in

The ground, though jesting after heavy rum, was perfect for The Goofer, who ploughed through it in great style, forging 12 lengths clear in the last quarter mile to leave. Also Munro needing only seven more winners for a century in his first season as a full jockey.

O Peter Walwyn's filly Tadwin (Geoff Baxter) finished fourth behind the German pair Fabuious Eden and Manduna in the Co.210 group three Premio Omenoni (5t) at San Siro, Milan, on Saturday.

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Alan Lee, Cricket Correspondent, assesses England's players and the prospects for the tour of Australia which begins today

Key figures in the fight for the Ashes Lillee likes the look

NOTHING concentrates the and diversified four-month mind quite so well as a short, trip. sharp, shock. On the face of it, need not be in vain.

Gooch bestrode the English averaged only 18. summer so royally that one could easily be lulled into false simply one of the lads, a part security. All would be well in he played to the full. Lamb has Australia with this man in never been less than busily charge - and, after two broken inventive with his leisure bones, his injuries were obvi- hours and there were those ously behind him. The fallacy of all this has struck home like with his kindred spirit, David a blunt instrument in a dark

England's active service find another vice-captain. began, earlier this morning, in lf the selectors were not an exotically named suburb of correct and courageous in Perth, Lilac Hill. It began with every decision, they certainly Gooch in the frustrated state deserve credit for ignoring in which he finished both the that particular theory. Gower Caribbean tour in April and is quality. He has scored seven the English season in Septem-centuries against Australia, ber—one hand figuratively who would far rather he had and literally behind his back, been left behind. Enough said. dressed, protected and As for Lamb, this assignment

had passed to the short, batting position and he must bustling figure who, for all his not only support Gooch but, medals on other campaigns, at times like the present, finds himself pigeon-holed as emulate his influence, an area a suspect leader with a modest in which he has hitherto been record in Australia. Such suggestions will have him bridling, for he is a sensitive not retain any realistic amman, but this is the tour on bition to succeed Gooch, who which Allan Lamb has the is a year older, as captain, but chance to lay all reservations even within his own sphere of

any he has been accustomed monstrably sound of temperato, on six previous overseas ment and charged with job of tours, and the manner in almost equal significance on which he handles it could have this tour. an appreciable bearing on the So far as leadership is five-Test series which forms concerned, Michael Ather-

Lamb has never made the Graham Gooch's latest mis- same impact against Australia hap seems to have given as against the West Indies, England's Ashes tour the most where his confrontational batdisturbing of starts, a recurting is hugely admired. In two ring nightmare. But, as the previous Australian tours, he damage is limited, the alarm has not made a Test century; on his last, four years ago, he

Then, as before, he was who felt that a touring reunion Gower, was reason enough either to omit Gower or to

will be the measure of his Out on the field, authority maturity. He holds a pivotal

At the age of 36, Lamb may responsibility, he has a rival, His role is more vital than 14 years younger, de-

not be rushed. His batting is a Australia's was 67. In a one-different matter. Virtually unsided summer, this was Enexposed to the Australians, he has developed into a model of concentration, low on indiscretion.

Already, there have been rumblings from Wayne Larkins that he wants his old job back, going in first. Fair enough, Competition hurts nobody. But although I initially thought it wrong to convert an established No. 3 like Atherton, he has adapted so smoothly that it seems madness to disrupt one of the best things to have happened to England in years.

Against Australia in 1989. England used six openers but not one of 11 Test innings began with a stand of more

gland's most consistent and demoralising failing, one that technical excellence, high on Gooch and Atherton must have the chance to put right this winter.

> Atherton's leg spin was held up to ridicule at the Oval in August, but it must not be discarded; on Australian pitches it could yet be valuable. Spin, however, will sadly not decide the coming series, for Australia are no better off than England. Allowing for the possibility of a revival by Australia's Bruce Reid the bowling contests likely to prove decisive are Alderman against Fraser and Hughes against Malcolm.

Alderman has never been than 35. The average was 14; quite the same force away FIRST-CLASS CAREER RECORDS

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will be expected to bowl a great number of overs. Hughes and Malcolm will be promoted, as only the Australian publicity machine knows how, as the nasty head hunters, the scowling, bruising assassins. Any day now, a catch phrase will roll from Channel 9's commercial breaks. But, while Malcolm's achievements to date are largely confined to a couple of West Indies Tests and a whole

> enormous strides. There was once a temptation to regard his image as a silly joke camouflaging an ordinary bowler but 34 wickets in six home Tests last winter tell a different tale. Hughes will be a worthy strike weapon and if he decisively outbowis Malcolm, England will be in a tight corner.

lot more perceived potential,

Hughes has made real and

from English pitches but he starts with a psychological

thumbhold on a number of the

visiting batsmen; Fraser.

bowling in similar probing

style, must seek to gain the

same advantage. Both men

There will, as is only traditional in Ashes series, be the periodical spats on such matters as sledging, short-pitched bowling and short-sighted umpires. There will be constant fascination in the duel of the captains, whose respect for each other knows no bounds. But, as tends to be the case in Test cricket, it will all come down to a matter of bowling the opposition out twice. If England are to win, then their two best and most reliable bowlers must take 50 wickets between them. Only then, I suspect, can the Ashes be ENGLAND TOUR TO AUSTRALIA

Oct 25 (one day): Oct 27 (two days): Oct 30 (one day): Nov 2 (four days); Nov 7 (one day); Nov 9 (four days); Nov 14 (one day); Nov 16 (four days); Nov 23 (five days); Nov 29 (one day);

Dec 1 (one day): Dec 4 (one day): Dec 7 (one day): Dec 9 (one day): Dec 11 (one day): Dec 15 (one day): Dec 16 (one day): Dec 20 (four days): Dec 26 (five days):

Jan 1 (one day): Jan 4 (five days): Jan 10 (one day): Jan 13 (one day): Jan 15 (one day): Jan 17 (one day): Jan 19 (tour days): Jan 25 (five days): Feb 1 (five days):

v President's XI, Lilac Hill v Western Australia, Perth v Western Australia, Pertr v South Australia Country XI, Adelaide v South Australia, Adelaide v Tasmania, Hobert v Australian XI, Hobert First Test v Australia, Brisbane v Australian Cricket Academy, Adelaide World Series Cup: v New Zealand, Adelaide World Series Cup: v New Zessand, v Prime Minister's XI, Canberra WSC: v New Zesland, Perth WSC: v Australia, Perth v Sir Donald Bradmen's XI, Bowral WSC: v New Zesland, Sydney WSC: v New Zesland, Brisbane WSC: v Australia, Brisbane v Victoria, Ballarut Second Test v Australia, Melbourne

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Dexter points to facts

and more county matches were being watched.

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of England **bowlers**

DENNIS Lillee, who has come out of retirement to play against the England team in the opening match of their tour today, say he has been impressed by the form of the visiting quick

howlers.
"I think this is the best England attack for a long time." Liller and yesterday. "If Mal-colm has top pace our bassien will find him a handful, Lewis will be quicker than they think. Fraser plugs away on a good line and length and gets a bit of bounce and Small is a good day-

cluded in a party of 13 for the game against the Western Australia President's XI at Lilae Hill but is unlikely to play, The Hampshire batsman took no real part in vesterday's practice, having bruised his right index finger during a full-scale work-out. But Chris Lewis, who bruised his back when he slipped down steps at the team's

hotel, is expected to be lit. Graham Gooch, a definite non-starter for today's 50-avers match also seems certain to sit out this weekend's two-day

The two wise men and the lessons of boxing history do not worry Holyfield

Douglas confronts alter ego

From Srikumar Sen BOXING CORRESPONDENT IN LAS VEGAS

JAMES "Buster" Douglas is 16st 4b..... ready for the showdown, even 60 4m if the line callers of this town think he will not beable to wrap 45 his gun belt around his stomach. He will be coming out 14m today for his man: James 36m "Buster" Douglas. Douglas will have to face himself before he faces Evander Holyfield in defence of his undisputed world heavy-

There are two Douglases: the one that stopped Mike Tucker in this town in 1987. Nobody knows, not even Douglas, which Douglas will gues, but had to struggle show up. "It's not Evander I'm fighting, it's myself," Douglas said two weeks ago.

Douglas said two weeks ago. "I can be champion for as long as Buster Douglas wants to be.

I respect Evander's ability as a but his defence has been contender, but I respect my- almost non-existent. Lack of

own camp did not even know his weight. "We haven't tried to weigh him," Douglas's uncle and trainer, J. D. McCauley.

Camp has three to call a calling in Maroia Kennett, a hallet teacher from New York, makes him an easy target for the jab. said. If the "Tyson" Douglas stepped into the ring at the would suffer the same fate as Tyson. If the Tucker one arrives, the new sheriff would be run out of town. From

seem big enough to become only the second light-heavyweight champion to win a heavyweight title. Laughran, Conn, Maxim, Lesnevich. Moore and Foster all failed. Only Michael Spinks man-aged it against a Larry Holmes las is what the doctor didn't

lifting gyms where they've had him for a few years and you heavyweight brain." down to while Holyfield can take endure."

comfort from the fact that Marciano weighed less than 190th and knocked out bigger heavyweights, the history of contests between big and small men for the heavyweight in Tokyo and no one listened. title is against him.

Holyfield looked in control when disposing of light-heavy- No one listened. No one weights and cruiserweights believed it was going to rain. but seemed out of his depth at It's going to rain."

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Tale of the tape

Tyson in the tenth round in times against heavyweights, Tokyo eight months ago and even though they were hand the other that stopped boxing picked. He had little trouble in the tenth against Tony against spent heavyweights against spent heavyweights like James Tillis, Pinklon Thomas and Adilson Rodri-

history or the two wise men of got a guy walking around at 1951b. Look at his legs. They are pop bottles. They have boxing I have the edge in made a heavyweight from the conditioning and if it goes into waist up, a robot with a light- the later rounds it will come down to how much Buster can

Holyfield has certainly convinced the bookmakers, who have him at 2-1 on. But McCauley warned: "We are going to win. I told them that No one's listening now. It's like when Noah built the ark.

Douglas, who has an advan-tage of almost two inches in Mirage Hotel, Holyfield height and six inches in reach, should have no trouble getting through. He has an excellent jab that had Tyson confused. Many believe that had Doug-Douglas's sparring sessions it las agreed to a re-match has looked all along like the immediately, it would have man who jabbed Tyson into been more of the same for

Holyfield is not put out by

In every contest, Holyfield

lateral movement, which his Asiateas Tuesday, Douglas's camp has tried to cure by win camp did not even know calling in Maroia Kennett, a

submission will be there.

The challenger, though in superb condition, does not Douglas did "a number" on Holyfield in the end and stopped him. As Eddie Futch. who used to be in Joe Frazier's corner, says: "Douglas will be too big, too strong, too experienced and boxes too well." So, well past his best.

McCauley said: "You take
Holyfield out of the weighthand and is mobile."

Lall before the storm: Donglas ponders a query about his heavyweight title defence

Pyatt presses for rematch

By BRYAN STYLES

JOHN David Jackson is off on his bike chasing more world titles and bigger purses, while Chris Pyatt, his latest victim, is still running to catch up.

Pyatt wants a rematch but
Jackson cannot hear him as he pedals furiously in the direction of two other world champions. Gianfranco Rosi, of Italy, and our own Nigel Benn, whom he describes as "everybody's favourite puncher, just suited to His comprehensive defeat of

yatt as he back-pedalled with skill and cunning to retain his World Boxing Organisation light-middleweight title on Tuesday night renewed Jack-son's faith in a boxing strategy that flummoxed Pyatt, who seemed unable to change his flawed battle plan. The London-born boxer

admitted he had fought the

Jackson next time around.

Even though there are four world titles to aim for at this weight. Frank Warren. Pyatt's manager, also sees Jackson as manager, also sees Jackson as the champion his man has the best chance of toppling, despite the overwhelming and unani-mous verdict of the neutral Puerto Rican judges on Tues-day. One made Jackson a winner by nine points, another by six and the last by four. With scores like that stacked against him Pyatt will need a com-pletely new philosophy if Jackson ever does allow him to share the ring with him again. He pierced Pyati's flimsy guard with a long southpaw jab that

seemed to get longer and more damaging as the bout went on.

persuasive powers as he tries to convince Jackson's manager,

Warren will need all his

middleweights in the world and was convinced he would defeat Jackson next time around.

Even though there are four Britain so that he can work on him. Hoffman was adamant shortly after the bout, though, that Jackson was heading in

another direction.

The defeat will have sent
Pyatt tumbling down the
rankings and the chances are
that he will have to take on other ranked light-middleweights beforc he gets another shot Herol Graham's challenge for the vacant WBC middleweight title against Julian Jackson on November 24 has been switched from Marbella to Benalmadena, 20 miles along the Spanish coast. John Davison is to make the

second defence of his WBC international featherweight title on November 13 at Hartlepool. against Jae Hyung Hwans, a former South Korean champ-

Feb 9 (one day); Feb 13 (one day); Feb 16 (one day);

TED Dexter, chairman of the England committee, claimed yesterday that the selectorial process for Test matches had been much improved in recent years (Ivo Tennant writes). Speaking at a lunch in London at which the Bull/Cricketer awards for 1990 were made, he said that proper records had not been kept before he took over

"If a cricketer is dropped there are good reasons in black and white why that has hap-pened. The facts and figures have been kept to prove it. The England committee is making some progress." He added that Graham Gooch was not afraid

BULL/CRICKETER STRIKE RATE AWARDS: Autholout: Gataman: N H Fairbrother (Lancashire). Bowler: I R just: Betsmen: N H 2shre). Bowler: I R iro). Teaus: Betting:

in day-out bowler." Robin Smith has been in-

game against a Country XI in Geraldion and Tuesday's day-night match in Perth. The President's XI includes

seven players, in addition to Lillee, who have first-class experience, notably Geoff Marsh, Tom Moody, Mike

The ground, about a 40-minute drive from Perth, should be a colourful sight. Nearly 40 sponsors have taken tents and a crowd of around 6,000 is ex-pected. "We will try to enter into the spirit of the occasion while still using the match as an important part of our build-up." Micky Stewart, the England manager, said.

EMGLAND XI (from): W Larkers, M A Athenton, R A Smith, A J Lambicapiam), A J Stewart, J E Morns, D I Gover, C C Laws, G C Small, E E Hermings, A R C Fraser, M P Bicknett, P C R Tutnell

his team in relaxed mood

From John Hennessy IN CHRISTCHURCH

GEOFF Marks, the captain of taking an unexpectedly relaxed view of the world amateur team championship, to be held over the Shirley club course during the next four days. "My job is to see the players enjoy it and don't get too serious about it," he said

He is not a man biting his nails under the strain of defending the Eisenhower Trophy won Sweden two years ago. He somebodywho has done it all before, and successfully, having also won the Walker Cup in the United States last year.

That is a unique accolade. He carks another this work since

seeks another this week, since no British team, nor any other apart from the United States, has been able to successfully defend the Eisenhower.

The players under Marks's command are Jim Milligan and Andrew Coltart. of Scotland, and Ricky Willison and Gary Evans, of England. Milligan, aged 27, the only survivor from Survivo has always been as the Sweden, has always been on the winning side in Great Britain and Ireland's twin colours, twice against the Continent of Europe for the St Andrews trophy and once each in the Eisenhower and

have around, good natured and good humoured, the perfect foil to his room-mate, the gifted but intense Evans, aged 21.

Coltart, aged 20, has been recognised in Scotland as a special talent for some seasons.

special talent for some seasons now, with doubt, though, about his temperament. Marks, however, has enrolled a number of followers as counsellors should the need arise.
The Shirley course, where

The Shirley course, where Bob Charles honed his skills to perfection, is a demanding test, 7,002 yards long. Marks sees a similarity to Little Aston. "You must hit it long and straight," he said, "and if you miss these lightning-fast greens you could have an impossible shot."

As for his players' form, he says with a smile: "They're all playing badly, which is a good sign. Remember Peach Tree and the Walker Cup last year?"

the Walker Cup last year?"
Marks sees the United States. France and New Zealand as the principal challengers. The Australians are also worth keeping an eye on.

• Peter Hobson, aged 54, from South Yorkshire, won the Clerical Medical Seniors at East Sussex National yesterday (a Special Correspondent writes). Hobson, an eight handicapper from Rotherham Golf Club, won the two-day, 36-hole, nationwide event for over-50s. which involved more than 60,000 players.

LEADING SCORES: 76: P Hobson (Rotherham), 37, 39, 72: A Spouge (Lingdele), 37, 36, 70: D Risch (Flay), 35, 35, 69: R Sey (Penwortham), 47, 43: D Thompson (Horham Park), 35, 34.

Marks has McNulty making late claim to depose Woosnam

From MITCHELL PLATTS **GOLF CORRESPONDENT** SOTOGRANDE, SPAIN

MARK McNulty, of Zimbabwe. will attempt to reverse the pattern of the year by dislodging Ian Woosnam from the No. I position when the Volvo Masiers starts here today on the Valderrama course.
McNulty has finished runner-

up to Woosnam on three occasions during a fascinating European season, on which the curtain fails this week. Yet he can still head the Volvo Order of Merit by winning the first prize of £75,000.

lot to me to be No. 1, although I'm not going to tee up with the notion that it will be the end of my world if I fail.
"Quite honestly, I would like to be in Ian's position. He's in

the driving seat, he's ten lengths ahead entering the final furiong. But I'm certainly not conceding the top spot to him." Woosnam admits to being a touch rusty after a week off, although with £478.668 to McNulty's £429,578 he is well aware that he need only finish in position for the second time in Walker Cup.
Willison, aged 31, brings maturity to the team, though without Milligan's playing record. He is a splendid man to offers a £90,000 bonus to the offers a £90.000 bonus to the leader of the Order of Merit.

On the threshold of being No. I again, Woosnam is looking forward to 1991 with an eye on the major championships." I need to win one for that final seal of approval," Woosnam said, "I'm happy, I know I'm one of the best players in the

Card of the course Out 3.336 36 In 3615 36 Total yardage: 6.951

world, but for all others to recognise that then I need to get my name on one of those big four trophies. I've been second third and fourth and I think my chances of winning one have considerably improved because I've become a better putter." Both Woosnam and McNully have found success on the greens this year with the assis-tance of ladies' putters. It will take a good putter to win this week, because the wicked con-tours of the Valderrama greens

require an eagle eye and an authoritative touch. McNulty, too, acknowledges that his prospects are improved because of the severe examina-tion set by the course. "I think there are only 15 players who can win this week." he said. "It's not like a Crans-sur-Sierre where someone can shoot lights

out. On this course you have to grind out solid scores." In 24 tournaments this sea-son, McNulty has finished outwoosnam, however, knows that he holds an Indian sign over his rival and that, as McNuity must win, he also has on his side players such as Ronan Rafferty, the defending champion, Jose-Maria Olazábal, Berhard Langer, Mark James, Sandy Lyle, David Feherty, Sam Tor-rance and Rodger Davis.

Johnson defends her claim to No. 1 spot

From PATRICIA DAVIES IN BIARRITZ

at Biarritz, which starts today, she would virtually be assured of the title of Europe's No. 1 and the £12.000 bonus that goes with

prize on offer here and £15.000) at the Longines Classic in two weeks' time, there is enough money around to keep several other players interested in the top spot. Helen Alfredsson, the Swede who won the British women's Open. Florence Descampe, the Belgian who has won the last two tournaments, Alison Nicholas, Laurette Maritz and Dale Reid all still entertain hopes. The competition here will be fierce. Unusually. Marie-Laure de Lorenzi, born and bred here will not be No. I this year but, if she can find a putting stroke, she money around to keep several

However, with a £12,000 first

THIS is a big week for Trish and Laura Davies might re-Johnson, leader of the enact their superb struggle of Woolmark Order of Merit, Were she to win the AGF Open by one stroke with a record total of 267, nine under par. Davies has not won anywhere this season — she has not had a completely blank year since turning professional in 1985 — but was 15 under par for 46 holes in the matchplay and, an even better open.

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even better omen, won £1,000 at

Matches played 20th October 1990 LITTLEWOODS POOLS. LIVERPOOL

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REAL TENNIS Snow storms through

wrong fight but declared he was convince Jackson's manager, still among the best light-

Julian Snow and James Male, corner but lacked the power to reached the semi-finals of the counter his more mobile-international amateur event in Malbaura (Salah Larana tanàna amateur at a management and the strong american, Morris Malbaura (Salah Larana tanàna amateur at a management and the strong american and the s Melbourne (Sally Jones writes). Snow, whose immaculate floor game is well suited to the

BRITAIN'S top two amateurs, slid the ball from corner to

Clothier, overcame the promis-ing Australian, Chris Sievers, after trailing 5-3 in each of the lively court, crushed the French
No. 2, Christophe Chucca, without losing a game. Male, the
world rackets champion, had a
tougher encounter with lan
Hepworth, of Australia, who
the french
three sets.

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HOCKEY

AFTER a disappointing performance in last weekend's un-official tournament, Great Britain recovered to beat New Zealand 4-1 in Wellington yes-terday in the FIH-sanctioned

cross from Karen Brown, From then on, set-plays were the order of the day, as Britain's free-flying attacks forced a string of beaten 8-1 by Australia.

Sixsmith sparks revival corners and led to two goals from Lisa Bayliss and one from

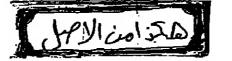
In the second half, Britain were unable to move the ball around as freely and New Zealand reduced the deficit with four nations' event.

It took Jane Sixsmith only seven minutes to open the scoring when she flicked home a a goal from a penalty flick on the

Today, Britain take on Spain, who made a disastrous start to the tournament when they were

TABLE TENNIS Prean given team rest

ENGLAND have rested Carl Prean for the European League match against Spain at Hull today, which should see them qualify for the promotion playoffs (Richard Eaton writes). Even without their leading player, England are firm favourites to follow their favourites to follow their content of the promotion playoffs. The Commonwealth champion, Alan Cooke, is the other men's singles player, with player. England are firm season. The Commonwealth champion, Alan Cooke, is the surprisingly one-sided 7-0 win over Italy with another success that would see them certain of women's singles and Alicented Cookers in the Cookers and Alicented Co one of the top four places in the Gordon a possibility for the



Wrexham will find solace in their hefty cash windfall

WREXHAM avoided humiliation and Manchester United brief journey home in the domestic honors may have preserved their credibility, most ignominious position, at collapsed and they could be Superficially, therefore, the the bottom of the whole left, as last season, relying on first leg of the European Cup. League.

Winners' Cup tie at Old "If we score in the first Cup to appease their disillusion. Yet petther club can be Even if they do, they cannot tempers and brawling with wholly content with the 3-0 hope to match the feats of Arsenal, they will step into scoreline in favour of the FA cither AC Milan (who beat another fixture which promused to accept that Wretham or Porto (5-0 and 4-0 respective to meet their neighbours, are necessarily out of the tively in the Cup Winners' who humbled them 5-1 at

are necessarily out of the competition, their already dim flame of optimism has effectively been extinguished. In 45 away matches spread over a third of a century, United have lost to foreign opponents by the necessary margin on only three

All of the heavy defeats were naturally inflicted by opposition of an appreciably ther class than Wrexham. If Halifax had won on Wednes-day night, the Welshmen

Wrentham are at least guar. Four days later they must anteed to receive an estimated endure an even more daunt-

But they needed a more convincing victory to lift their

Palmer strikes to

Paul Moniden and David Currie, two players who promised much but never managed to defeat. "We had just won two deliver while with Manchester done something for our conrespectively, scored the goals fidence," he said. "But hat was which not only restricted Shef- a totally unacceptable performance, but may have left Oldham's promotion rivals dreading meeting them on a third division leadership from

in the final minute at Barnsley maintained Wednesday's undefeated record in an intense but skilful southern Yorkshire derby in front of an impressive crowd of 23,079 at Oakwell. Barnsley thought they had won when Andy Rammell heatled home 12 minutes from time, but Wednesday's equaliser ensured their record remained intact.

Steve Bull's thirteenth goal of the season was enough to dis-pose of Middleshrough at Molineux, thereby lifting Wolverbampton Wanderers, who are unbearers. Molineux, thereby lifting Welverbampton Wanderers. At the opposite end of the who are unbeaten in their last table, an own goel by Alan Knill, nine games, into fourth place. The Bary defender, secured strog-gling Fulham's second victory of the season, after Mark Newson tive teams in the division, may need to review their priorities lead. However, Fulham will never the season of the season of the lead. However, Fulham will miss Leavy Rosenier when the

Four days later they must-

the first division this season.

Alex Ferguson more or less

concedes that winning the

championship can no longer be regarded as a likely propo-

sition this season. Some may accuse him of excessive and

premature pessimism but Liverpool are not only already

a dozen points ahead. United

also do not appear to be remotely capable of bridging

The persistent flaw lies in

front of goal. Once they approach the edges of the opposition's area, United drop the little belief that they

carry. In spite of being awarded no fewer than 19

corners against Wrexham, for

example, they applied the finishing touch only once.

Even that was wholly un-expected. Pallister, after all, is

not renowned for rasping

drives. As against Arsenal last

Saturday, United scorned numerous other chances, most of

which were created by Sharpe.

The enterprise of the young

left winger, in contrast with

Wallace's feeble contribution

on the other flank, was

described by Ferguson as "a

Yet, United's manager re-

mains concerned about the poor strike rate of Hughes, the

leader of the attack, Although

he won the penalty, converted by Bruce, he failed to add to

his own meagre total (three

goals in ten games) even against his depleted and in-

· As a result of the semi-final

draw for Scotland's B and Q

Centenary Cup, made in Glas-

gow yesterday, Ayr United will meet Clyde at Somerset

ferior fellow-countrymen.

tively in the Cap Winners who humbled them 5-1 at Cups of 1964 and 1977). Maine Road a year ago.

anteed to receive an estimated endure an even more daunt£90,000 in a fortnight, a sum ing, red-blooded occasion. In
which represents a financial the third round of the
lifeline. United are equally. Rumbelows Cup, they enterassured of an even more tain Liverpool. Nor will there
profitable place in the last be any relief at the end of the
eight, a prospect which will week. Their visitors then are
maintain interest over the
winter and until the next which has yet to be beaten in
round is staged in March. round is staged in March.

save Wednesday

OLDHAM Athletic lead the second division, a position they grie. A crowd of only 8,247 saw retained by winning while not watford, who have the League's playing particularly well at worst home record, lose at home to Ipswich Town on Vicarage Road for the seventh successive time. Portsmouth displaying any consistency. Joe Royle, the Oldham manager, spindless fourth, goal of the season.

third division leadership from Grimsby Town by enjoying the better of the meeting of the newly promoted sides, bearing Exceter City 2-1 at home, efforts from Powell and Benjamin proving decisive.

Grimsby could do not better then draw 2-2 at home to Leyton Orleat. Only an injury-time equaliser from the Grimsby substitute. Ian Knight, denied the Londoners a first away of the season. Earlier, Neil Woods had record for the horse with Denast. scored for the hosts, with Danny Carter and Kenny Achampong

ofter a second consecutive miss Leroy Rosenior when the forward's loan period ends and Notes County dropped to be returns to West Ham United sixth place after gaining no more: on Monday.

Duff leads race for Reading

Park and Kilmarnock are at home to Dundee. The matches will be played on Tuesday, October 30.

thinking over the move:

The Argentine international forward. Alex Russo, aged 22, has received clearance to begin a

TENNIS

Power return: Hands enjoys profitable week despite defeat by the No. 2 seed

British women are brought down to earth in Brighton

By ANDREW LONGMORE, TENNIS CORRESPONDENT

AFTER the euphoria of the previous day, the British women came down to earth on the second day of the Midland Bank the other side of the Atlantic, brain and brawn are not considered mutually exclusive. However she ends the year. Championships at Brighton

yesterday.

There was no shame in defeat There was no shame in defeat for Kaye Hand, who was beaten by the No. 2 seed, Katarina Maleeva, in straight sets, but Sarah Loosemore was bitterly disappointed with a lacklustre display against Nathalie Tauziat, of France. "I just played very badly." Loosemore said, which just about summed it up.

studying Shakespeare and chemistry in her spare time on the circuit this year, a prepara-tion perhaps for a return to her books at Oxford at the end of next year. The Welsh girl has accepted a place to read psychol-College and has to decide finally whether to take up the offer next summer.

"As long as I think I can still make it to the top. I will continue to play," she said. The sadness is that Loosemore should have to take such a fundamental decision at all. On

However she ends the year, Loosemore will be pleased with her progress. She has risen from

ranking should rise from nearly 400 to the mid-200s. So it has been a profitable week for the Wokingham girl.

The defending champion, Steffi Graf, had few problems against Nathalie Herreman. Graf admitted to being "not 100 per cent focused", though no one really noticed as she swent glimpses, particularly at the Federation Cup in July, when she beat Raffaella Reggi and narrowly lost to another top 20 one really noticed as she swept to the quarter-final with a 6-4, 6-2 win. Today, it is the turn of Clare Wood, who plays Catarina Lindqvist, and Sara Gomer. player, Judith Wiesner, showed that she can compete at the highest level. She can also play with who meets Pilar Vasquez, to one can also play with extraordinary naivety at times. Yesterday was one of the lost days, though, admittedly, she has been hindered in the last two uphold British morale.

RESULTS: First round: M Malesva (Bull) b

P Father (US), 6-4, 6-2; H Suktova (Cz) bi /
Mitvideksia (USSR), 6-4, 7-6; N Tauzie
(Fr) bi S Loceamore (GB), 6-1, 6-2; C Sum
(Fr) br A Devrate (Fr), 6-4, 7-5. Secund:
round: S Graf (Gar) bi N Herreman (Fr), 6

Hand's progress has also been painful. She left school at the age the field for the \$330,000 Diet n Indoor Cha retired from the game when she was out with a back injury for bley in two weeks. McEnroe is scheduled to play an exhibition seven months. This is the longest stretch I have had bley, but could be granted one of playing," she said. Despite her the two wild cards by organisers, 6-2, 6-2 defeat, she will pocket ProServ, if he needs to seal his £2,560, which compares place in eight-man finals of the favourably with her total earn- ATP Tour in Frankfurt the ings of £4,000 this year and her following week.

SQUASH RACKETS

months by a recurring stomach injury. "This was my first match

pain-free." she said. In body not

mind, that is.

Young players prove worth

can make a smooth transition to the senior ranks with excellent victories over experienced

opponents in the opening round of Pimm's Premier League matches.
Simon Parke, aged 18, the world junior champion, recovered from losing the opening game to defeat Damian Walker. 5-9, 9-1, 9-4, 9-2, and help the London team, Carlisle Cannons, to a 3-1 victory over Sports

Peter Marshall, aged 19, the world young masters champion. from Derbyshire, who has an unusual double-fisted style. unusual double-fisted style. Surrey, has met with little senior made a successful first appearsuccess. But he made a startling wizards. of Cardiff. He beat North American tour, where he Robert Owen 9-7, 9-7, 2-9, 4-9, numbered world No. 4, Rodney

Abbeydale in Sheffield.

THE young men who carry the 9-1 as the Welsh team defeated hopes of future English success gave every indication that they For Owen, however, it was a Mosaic Priory 3-1 at Edgbaston. For Owen, however, it was a galling defeat. He was discarded by the Wizards after helping them to the championship and

replaced by Marshall.
The most noteworthy victory among the young pretenders was achieved by David Cam-pion, aged 19, who was runner-up to Parke in the world junior event. He scored Priory's lone success with a 9-7, 9-1, 9-6 victory over the former England international, Jamie Hickox,

Another young English player appears at last to be fulfilling the promise he showed as a junior. Danny Meddings, aged 22, from Martin, among his victims. And Meddings, ranked No. 26. continued the good work for his new club, Lynic Surbiton, with a deserved 7-9, 9-5, 9-7, 9-2 victors, over the Feeled convictory over the England cap-tain and former national champion, Bryan Beeson, ranked 17

places above him.

That was Surbiton's only success at Levitt Lambs, where Jahangir Khan was the centre of attention on his return afterhealth problems. Jahangir hardly had to raise sweat to defeat Tristan Nancarrow, 9-4, 9-3, 9-4, in 43 minutes as the Australian seemed more con-cerned with a verbal battle with

LEAGUE RESULTS: Levin Lambs 3, Lync Surbition 1: Team Allsports 3. North Watstern 1; Abbeydele 1. Certiste Can-nons 3; Mossic Phory 1, Leekes Wizards

YACHTING

Gautier must try to make up lost ground

DURING the wait for the fifthplaced American, Mike Plant, to complete the first leg of the BOC single-handed round the world race early today, the talk in Cape race early today, the talk in Cape Town continues to centre on the 16%-hour time penalty that has relegated Alain Gautier, the line honours winner, to fourth place (Barry Pickthall writes).

Gautier's 60h yacht, General Concorde, which is not fitted with an engine, sailed into calms two days before the deadline for race scrutineering at Newport. Rhode Island. The race organisers offered to arrange a tow, but the telephone number

tow, but the telephone number given to the Frenchman was incorrect. By the time he had raised the correct contact 24 hours later, it was too late to meet the deadline.

Gautier must pow start the second stage to Sydney on November 24 in fourth place.

November 24 in fourth place.

LEADMA POSITIONS OF VACHTS STILL
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SCOTLAND. last season's grand slam champions, who emerged with honour from their tour to New Zealand, have put together a new back row for in the season. That does less together a new back row for their first international of this their first international of this season, against Argentina at Murrayfield on November 10.
With Finlay Calder now retired from international rugby and Derek White unavailable until mid-December, after With Finlay Calder now re-tired from international rugby and Derek White unavailable until mid-December, after breaking a cheekbone playing

RUGBY UNION

New look to back

row for match

against Argentina

By DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

for London Scottish last month.

the selectors have called up Adam Buchanan-Smith at flanker and Graham Marshall at

are new caps: Buchanan-Smith.

the Fettes schoolboy, who played for Loughborough University and London Scottish before joining Heriot's FP last

first cap against the 1988 Australians and his only other cap was against Fiji.

Both toured New Zealand in

Scottish team manager, described as "the most im-proved player in New Zealand".

Moore's first cap was in Auckland, when Scotland ran the All Blacks to 21-18 in the second

ing one of their two tries. The other came from Tony Stanger.

the Hawick wing, who is strug-gling with a groin strain at the

terday also includes Paul Burnell, who lost his place at

MARC ASPLAND

row forwards were not available for selection so the selectors will hope that Damien Cronin, troubled by an ankle injury of late, proves his fitness for Bath against Bristol this weekend. Macdonald (Heriot's), Munro The preference for Alex (Glasgow High/Kelvinside) and loore on the left wing com- Richardson (Edinburgh Moore on the left wing completes three changes from the
side which started the grandslam decider against England
last March, Moore holding the
place he took in New Zealand
from hyan Tokalo.

Any pipeling injuries must be

sorted out by the second of the two squad meetings, which are next Wednesday and the following Sunday. The Argentinians, meanwhile, travelled from Cork February, was a replacement against Fiji last year for Marshall, who, in his two previous international appearances, has yet to last the full 80 minutes. He replaced White to win his first can against the 1988 for the first international of their tour, against Ireland a Lansdowne Road on Saturday.

SCOTLAND: A G Hissings (Watsonians);

A G Stanger (Hawick), S Hissings (Watsonians), S R P Lineen (Boroughmur), A Bloore (Edwiburgh Academicals); C M Chatmers (Melrose), G Armstrong (Jed-Forest); D M B Sole (Edwiburgh Academicals, captain), K S Milles (Henot's FP), A P Burnell (London Scottish), J Jeffrey (Kolso), C A Gray the summer, as did Moore, aged 26, the Edinburgh Academicals wing who Duncan Paterson, the

 Nigel Redman remains doubtful for the England B team against the Emerging Austra-lians on November 4. His rib ficiently for Bath to play him in their second row against Bristol on Saturday, though the club hopes that Adedayo Adebayo. picked for his first B game against Namibia on November will have recovered from a tight-head prop on tour to lain shin injury in time to play in the Milne. Though Milne is playing league match.

Manchester show convincing form

By MICHAEL STEVENSON

Manchester University 23 Liverpool University 4 MANCHESTER University. without a win to their credit, opened their UAU campaign with convincing victory over Liverpool University at Fallow-field yesterday by a goal, two tries and three penalty goals to

The match was played in a deluge and, considering this, some of Manchester's handling was impressive, though errors Liverpool were unlucky to lose their captain, Heaver, with a cut head shortly after the interval. but not before he had stamped his considerable talent on the

The visitor's pack was wellbeaten in all phases, and spent the afternoon moving smartly backward, For Liverpool, Wood, their left wing, tackled magnificently and his tackle on Tinubu on the other wing, early in the contest, was a collector's

Robinson's superb run out of defence for Liverpool flattered penalised for not releasing and the reliable Budge kicked the

Manchester's pressure increased and, when Liverpool

tapped back from a lineou virtually on their own line. Giles could not tidy and Sturgess got the touchdown. Two more Budge penalty goals made it 13-0 at the interval and seconds earlier Tinubu had fumbled with the Liverpool line at his

Liverpool lost their full back Robinson, as well as Heaver just after half-time, and a consid-

The skilful Hartigan found a gap in the centre and, well-tackled almost on the line, slipped the ball to Cheswick. vert. Liverpool still had the spirit to hit back with a try by Craven after three short pen-Oldham, but the final score went to Manchester, who reasserted pressure, handled the wet ball with panache, and Tinubu scored too wide out for the conversion.

SCORERS: Manchester University: Tries: Sturgess, Cheswick, Tirubu. Conversion: Budge. Pensity goals: Budge (3). Uverpool University: Try: Crasen. MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY: A Budge; K MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY: A Budge; K Thubu, J Cheswick, P Hartgan, K Mbanuzue; T Ashworth, M Evans; A Lathead, S Tyler, D Llowarch, S Naylor, A Seen, T Hilton, L Bannon, O Sturgess, LIVERPOOL, UNIVERSITY: T Robinson (rep.: A Lewis); T Welch, J Craven, C Hayter, B Wood; S Wilcox, R Gles; S Townson, A Nawton, A Robertson, E Heaver (rep. P Brod), S Perritt, P McCoy, I Millipr, M Oldnam.

Scots create new team for fixture in Spain

SCOTLAND are to play Spain level and we noted especially on in their first A category fixture our tour to New Zealand that in Madrid on December 22. The ten of the players who appeared game will coincide with the for Scotland in the match Scotland B match against Ire- against Manawatu were incli-

The announcement was made at Murrayfield yesterday by Duncan Paterson, the chairman of selectors and the Santanan than t of selectors and the Scotland once or twice an for B selection. plained the need for such a

We have adhered to the starts its third visit in successive boncy that B selection can only be from players who have not been capped. Apart from the odd exception, such as against France last season, Scotland beautiful from the control of the con closely for new talent.

TINERARY: October 28 v East District (Cardiff), 30 v Monmouthshire (Ebbw Vale); November 1 v Central Glamogan (Aberavon); 5 v Welsh Mid District (Penygrad); 8 v Welsh RFU Prescient's XV (Pontypridd); 11 v London Division (Harisquarys). "However, the feeling has been that a number of good players are missing out on representative matches at top

BADMINTON

Yang Yang's showdown JAKARTA (AFP) - The

defending champion. Yang Yang of China, is seeded for a showdown with his compatriot and All England champion. Zhao Jianhua, in the World Cup final next month. Yang has been drawn in group A and Zhao in group C: Indone-

sia's top player. Allan Budi Kusuma, plays in group B, and Rashid Sidek, of Malaysia, in group D.

The four women's seeds are

Huang Hua and the Asian Games gold medal winner. Tan Jiuhong, both of China, Susi Susanti, of Indonesia, and Young Suk Lee, of South Korea.

South Korea's domination of doubles should be dented as several of their top players. including Park Jon Bong and Moon So Kim, are unavailable. A top-quality men's field is headed by Razif and Jalani Sidek, of Malaysia. once or twice and are ineligible

· A New Zealand youth party

East District in Cardiff on

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Results

IN BRIEF Director quits

Smee took over as Elm Park chairman in 1983 after leading the fight to stop Robert Maxwell

name them.

BARBARA Wancke has re-signed as director of women's tennis at the international renus at the international Federation. "My position had become untenable," she said. Wancke, aged 40, added: "I have not felt completely in harmony with some of the new

SNOOKER: Chinese authorities have rejected a plea by the World Professional Billards and Snocker Association to give Silvino Francisco, of South Africa, dispensation to play in the 555 Asian Open in Guangzhou next week. BOXING: Sieve McCarthy had a touch of "castern promit a tolich of easiern profitee or prepare for his British light-heavyweight title challenge against Serge Fame in Battersea tought. He had no sparring partner, until discovering Ahmet Cambakis, of Turkey.

SWIMMING: Karen Pickering, a silver and bronze medal winner at the Open Cup in Rome in August, is to compete at the Hollywood Bowl grand prix meeting in Cumbernaud on November 2 to 4. CRICKET: MCC's committee decided at a meeting yesterday

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Maria Maria

that an application to join the club by Rachel Heyhot-Flint, the former England women's captain, should be put to the annual meeting on May I next

business was put in the related be Portsmouth have annually administrators, but said be Portsmouth have annually administrators, but said be plans for a new £1.5 million would not stand down until be plans for a new £1.5 million would not stand down until be plans for a their Fratton Park

would not stand down unit in found a replacement.

Stand at their, Fratton Park ground, it will seat 6,000 and directors' box at Elm Park for Tuesday night's home defeat by Brentford and is understood to have had further talks with Charlon Athletic and the second division and signed for the admitted yesterday he had been having takeover talks with three interested parties, but refused to interested parties, but refused to mouth for £80,000. Jones, a long-time target of the Bournemouth manager, Harry It is understood that Mr Duff Rediknapp, replaces Trevor after Road but because of his City on Sunday in a £40,000 osition at Hibernian Football Faster Road but, because of his position at Hibernian. Football League approval must be obtained for the deal to go through.

Jones, aged 27, scored only 15 times in his three years at Selhurst Park. He has played six Meanwhile, both Liverpool

ATHLETICS

SCOTTISH ROAD RUNNING CHAMP-IONESHIP: Fluid placings: 1, F Clyoe (Aberdees Metro), 76ths; 2, M Clirroll (Arrent), St. 3, P Haming (Bellshoutston), 32.

BASKETBALL

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HARARE: Zimbabwe 252 (A J Pycroft 65, K J Amon 53) and 9-2: Paidstan B 421 (Bask AS 115, Zaheed Fezel 118, Shehki Seeed 91).

MATWEST COUNTY CHAMPONSIGP: First count Hamponine be Sumen, 2-0 (Hamponine be Sumen, 2-0 (Hamponine bessess 1974). If Con and M Power bol J Summy and P Asperell, 3-0; J Sandrer and P Swith bit, If Coled and J Cotome, 3-0; Eases be Settlelle, 2-0 (Eases mores Sext; J Revyolds and W Wesse bt J Caucie and D Dee, 3-b; E Alion and R Millians bt S Woodines and Millians and

FOOTBALL

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EAST SUBSEX RATIONAL: British Sealors Ministers: 90x81 y. P. Hobson (Representing GC) and A. Second R. Hopelor GC). 37: 3. E. Seanon (Datement GC). 38: 4. O Reach (Fley DC), and D. Thompson of Johnson Park, GC). 34. 6. P. Dottes (Sealed Park, GC). 34.

ETON FIVES

CRICKET ---

DAVID Duff, the chief executive of the Scottish club, Hibernian, yesterday emerged as the front-runifer to take over the reins at Reading of the third division.

Roger Since announced last month that he was resigning as Elm Park chairman after his business was put in the hands of administrators, but said he would not stand down until he plans for a new £1.5 million and Everton have stepped up their pursuit of Bournemouth's midfield prospect. Jamie Redknapp, aged 17. Both were the supporters' revolt in Edinators at Huddersfield Town to see Bournemouth play on Tuesday, although Redknapp stayed on the beach throughout the game.

Billy Davies, Leicester City's mission of Dunferm-

Billy Davies, Leicester City's unsettled midfield player, is expected to sign for Dunfermline. The two clubs have agreed a fee, likely to be around £170.000 and Davies is now thinking over the move.

He joined City from St Mirren last summer, but after playing in the first five games then lost his place.

has received clearance to begin a trial spell at Leeds. Russo, capped 24 times, spent a month's trial at Manchester United recently, but the manager. Alex Ferguson, failed to reach agreement on a loan deal until the end of the season.

HOCKEY

PALACE: Bittarmen indoor id Williamsoniens 2, Old King-Duleich 3, Purky 2, Purky 2, Old 2 Old Kingstardens 4, Outsich

ICE HOCKEY

CLUB MATCH: Compridge University

FOR THE RECORD

RUGBY UNION CLUB MATCHES: Combridge University 29, Bedford O. Latcheser 23, Oxford University 22; Nesth 43, Tradegar 7: University College, Cardiff 32, Aboryanyth University 0. SCHOOLS MATCH: Kent College 6, King's, Controllary 18. CENTERBUTY 18. BANK OF SCOTLAND SCOTTISH SCHOOLS P: Stransfer 27, Kirkzuchngrif f LOMBC: Asien tourement: South Korea Sri Lanka 18; Taiwan 12, Hong Kong 7.

VOLLEYBALL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (in Brazil) Second result Bulgarin 3, Section D. South Kores 2, Cameroon C. Cuba 3, Brazil 2, Rely 3, Cascrocolomitics 0; Argentina 3, Sowet Union 2; Bulgaria 3, Section 10; Argentina 3, Sowet Union 2; Bulgaria 3, Section 10.

MATIONAL LEAGUE (VAL): New Jersey Devis 8, New York Istantiers 1: Demot Red Merge 6, Vennouver Caractes 0: Wosshington Capitals 6, Philadelphia Pyers 2: Montreal Capitals 6, Philadelphia Pyers 2: Montreal Capitals (Ings 6, Calgary Pyerse) TUESDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS

EUROPEAN CUP: Second round: First leg: Sayern Munich (Ger) 4, CFICA Snedets

3. Wrexham 0; Priim Reytquvik (loe) 1. Barcelona (Sp) 2. LugFA CUP: Second rounds: First leg: FC Magdeburg (Ger) 0. Bordeaux (Fr) 1. BARCLAYS LEAGUE: Second division: BarticlaYS LEAGUE: Second division: BarticlaYS LEAGUE: Second division: Barticlay 1. Shelfield Wednesday 1: Oldham Athletic 2. Issawich Town 0; Writtord 0, Portsmouth 1; Wolverhampton Wenderers 1, Middlesbroogh 0. Third division: Solton Wenderers 0, Protherham Linted 0; Cambridge United 2. Wigan Athletic 3; Crewe Alexandra 1. Birmingham Cay 1; Fulham 2, Bury 0; Garnsby 2. Layton Orient 2; Huddersheld Town 1, Boumentouth 3; Practon North End 0. Chaster Cay 0; Reading 1, Brendford 2; Strewsbury Town 1. Strender City 2; Southend 2. Exeter City 1; Foarth division: Burnley 2, Madssone United 1; Cardill Cny 0, Doncaser Rovers 2; Chesterfald 1, Scumborp: United 2; Peagrorough 1; Watsell 1, York Cay 1. B AND 0 CENTERNATY CUP: Custrar-fizzale: Ayr 4, Queen of the South 1; Clydo 2, Cowdenbeath (et Audrer) 1; East Fife 1, Witssanock 2; Reath Flowers 0, Dundet 1.

B AND Q SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Second division: Montrose (), String 1. PONTING CENTRAL LEAGUE: First di-vision: Coveritry City 1, Lescaster City 0; Leeds United 3, Astron Vitte 1. OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION: Charton 2, Reading 0; Ovlord 1, Arsenal 1; OPR 0, Chattee 1; Wimbladon 3, West Harr United 0. FA YOUTH CUP: Mansfield Town 2, Blanchum Rovers 4. PREMIER INTER-LEAGUE CUP: First

BRECOURT NOVERS 4.

PREMER'S WITER-LEAGUE CUP: First sound replays: Gromogrove 2. Gamsbooough 1: Leyton-Wingste 1. Handon 3

VAUXHALL LEAGUE: Premier divisions Harrow 0, Kingstonian 2: St Albans 0. Enfield 1: Wolking 4. Martice 1.

HFS LOANB LEAGUE: Premier divisions Fleetwood 3. Bangor 1: Morecambe 0. Martine 0. Sulhybridge 3. Horwich 0. Witton 2. Southport 1: First divisions: Hurrogate 1. Whistey 8ay 0; Ring 1. Hann 2: Warrington 2. Newtown 2. League Chellenge Cup: Preliminary round: Bridlington Town 2. Accringon Stanley 0: Ractife Borough 1. Alfreton Town 0 First nound: Eastwood Town 5. Warkago 0: Worknood Town 5. Warkago 0: Worknood 1. Lancaster City 1.

LARCHINAGE WINDOWS CUP: First neard: First leg: Batdock 2. Chelmslord 1: Sorton Coldiels 0. Bedworth 2.

ESSEX SENIOR LEAGUE: Senior Section League Cup: East Ham United 1. Stambridge 6: East Thurrock United 1.

WINDSURFING

the Commonwealth Games silver medal winner, are to join a team of coaches at a specia clinic for javelin and hammer throwers at Crystal Palace, London, tomorrow. Shot and discus throwers will be featured

Surpuels, has been named Post Office Counters coach of the

TENNIS

6-2, 6-0.

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rick: Wousen's tow-stream: Feet made: L McNed (US) bt F-Hoursder (Pro), 6-3, 6-4; J Caprad (US) bt A Stroodord (CJ, 6-0, 7-6; M Sernoldurd (Sves bt C McGragor (US), 6-8, 8-3, A Groseman (US) bt W Whete-Pransa (US), 6-4, 7-5; E Brouttowells (USSR) bt L Corretto (Br. 4-3, 6-3, 5; Reinisch (SA) bt A Frazer (US), 2-6, 6-1, 6-

Javelin clinic Fatima Whitbread, the javelin world champion, and Mick Hill.

on Saturday. One jump ahead Bristol schoolteacher. Clive Smith, the coach to British long and triple jumper. Vernon

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Red Star consign hapless Rangers towards oblivion

Red Star Belgrade

Rangers

IT IS not beyond the bounds of possibility that Rangers can have to be a realist. proceed to the quarter-finals of the European Cup but, after task in front of us. Chris as thorough a beating as the Scottish football champions have endured at this level, the possibility that they will make knew that Red Star are a very any further impact on the good side and it was up to us tournament is a forlorn hope.

Red Star possess a goalkeeper who is suspect when goal it was always going to be confronted with deep crosses extremely difficult. and defenders who dislike being forced to turn, but even if Rangers could exploit these defects, they must score four goals without reply in the his presence would very probreturn leg at Ibrox. The Yugo- ably have added another slav champions demonstrated dimension to a Red Star side such vision and technique that which was, in the event, the chances of their failing to supplement their own total are remote.

orchestrated by the latest Belgrade prodigy, Robert Prosinecki. It was Prosinecki

Graeme Soupess, conceded that his hopes of steering his team to the European Cup from Rangers' point of view.

said: "We were lucky to get away with only a three-goal defeat. They are an excellent side and although always in football you must be optimistic, on occasions like this you

"We have a monumental Woods had an outstanding game but he got little help from those in front of him. We to defend well but after the start we had in losing an early

In fact, it was fortunate for Rangers that the commanding victim of an injury, because After a 30-minute inquest in whose 30-yard diagonal the dressing-room with his crossfield pass dissected the

Kuznetsov's hope of return dashed

From Roddy Forsyth

to repair knee cartilage damwere shattered yesterday with the news that the central defender also damaged ligaments in the same area.

The player, who injured his knee during a Scottish League match against Hibernian in August 1986, and again a year later when Chris Woods. Terry Butcher and went an operation in Glasgow on Tuesday but will need further surgery at an unspeci-fied date. Kuznetsov was signed only two weeks ago from Dynamo Kiev for £1.2

Graeme Souness, the Rangers manager, said in Belgrade, where his team were playing far too many hammer throwers in the premier division. We don't have any and we have tried to sign quality players, since we have just gone out and bought one world class player in Kuznetsov, but have only got him available for a game and a

"Now he will be out for months rather than weeks. The premier division is too tough and it is up to referces to annually to have made an sort it out."

Sounces's statement reveals sportsmanship in football.

RANGERS' hopes that their the distance Rangers have Soviet international defender, come since his opening spell Oleg Kuznetsov, would be as manager at Ibrox, when the able to return to football in the club was the subject of a near future after an operation number of disciplinary enquiries by the Scottish Football Association, most notably when Souness himself was sent off in his first Scottish League match against Hiber-

> again a year later when Chris Woods. Terry Butcher and Graham Roberts were sent off against Celtic and were charged with behaviour likely to provoke a breach of the Rangers' disciplinary record in the past few seasons has been excellent and the team has been disrupted by injuries rather than suspensions, with

Woods, Butcher and Ian Durrant all absent for significant periods. Gary Lineker, the England captain, will collect the Stanley Matthews Trophy on behalf of his international colleagues at the London Hilton next Wednesday. The Central Council of Physical Recreation inaugurated the award last year for the club.

team or individual adjudged

outstanding contribution to

Graham will not lodge an appeal
GEORGE Graham, the
Arsenal manager, will not
appeal against the fine im-

posed on him by his club after the brawl between Arsenal and Manchester United players at Old Trafford on Saturday. However, Graham's "trade union", the Football League back merely had to let his Executive Staffs Association, has warned clubs not to follow suit and allow the fining of managers to become a regular

the touchline outside Munro

when he received the benefit

of Prosinecki's vision, a pass

played so perfectly ahead of

him that the Yugoslav full

momentum carry the ball

beyond his opponent and into

a void on the edge of the

Rangers penalty area. From

there, Radinović might have

tried a shot with profit, but

instead he chose to strike a

forceful square ball across the

Brown read the menace correctly but the speed of the cross was his undoing because

his interception became a

deflection which swept past

the transfixed Chris Woods.

At that stage, all the indica-tions were that Rangers might

be about to endure a collapse

and a survey of the first half

only reinforces the belief that

it was a wonder that they were

the profligacy of the home

forwards, a byword amongst

the Red Star supporters, com-bined to keep the inevitable at

bay until more than an hour of the contest had passed. Ironi-

cally, when the Yugoslavs struck again, it was at a time

when Rangers looked at ease

The crack in the ramparts

came when Binić, marauding

on the edge of the Rangers'

area, was tripped by Stevens.

Prosinecki shaped as if to

direct the resultant free kick

towards a friendly head at the

back post. Instead, he curled

This was really the limit of

Rangers' margin for error but

within three minutes their

hopes all but toppled over the

brink. Walters, who had been

more productive than most in

blue jerseys, forced two corner

kicks to relieve the pressure at the opposite end. His en-

deavour, however, was ren-dered fruitless when Red Star

promptly surged upfield to

release Binic on the right

Astoundingly, the Scottish

defenders chose to remain

static even when it was ev-

ident that Binic was not off-

side as they may have

imagined and the Slav pressed

on to deliver a simple cutback

which Pancev merely had to

RED STAR BELGRADE: S Stojenović: D Radanovic, S Marović: R Sabanatzovic, M Belodevic, I Najdoski, R Prosinecii, V Stosić, D Pancev, V Jugovic, D Britić

divert into the net.

ilank.

in defence.

Woods's contribution plus

not indeed submerged.

crowded goalmouth.

Graham consulted FLESA after the fine of two weeks' wages was imposed on him by Arsenal on Tuesday, when the club's board held him responsible for the lack of discipline on the field which led to the Old Trafford incident. According to a FLESA statement released yesterday, however, Graham is accepting the punishment given to him.

"FLESA deplores last Sat-urday's events at Old Trafford and welcomes the quick action taken by Manchester United and Arsenal," the statement

Arsenal on manager, George Graham, is unprecedented, but he does not wish to take the matter further. He accepts that he is responsible to the Board for discipline and that its action is not unreasonable in the circumstances.

It went on: "FLESA hopes very much, however, that the fining of members by clubs will not become widespread and points out that, as with players, all members have the right of appeal to the Football

Arsenal also fined five players – Anders Limpar, Nige the ball wickedly over the defensive wall to Woods's right, where it struck the inside edge of the post and ricocheted along the goalline to spin off the far post and into Winterburn, Michael Thomas, David Rocastle and Paul Davis - two weeks wages for their parts in the 21man melée. Each is believed to be forfeiting £5,000 of their , Graham as much as £9,000. The Arsenal chairman, Peter Hill-Wood, said the fines would be donated to charity by the club.

Manchester United, mean while, have confirmed that they have fined a third player involved in the incident. The United manager, Alex Ferguson, punished the player

after re-examining the club's video of Saturday's match. Ferguson had already fined two players, but refused to identify them. After announcing the third fine, he again

refused to name the player. Ferguson has maintained all along that disciplinary action taken within the club is an internal affair and not for wider publication.

The Football Association has charged both clubs with bringing the game into disrepute. It is to hold a RANGERS: C Woods: G Slevens, S Murro, R Gough, N Speckman, J Brown, T Steven, I Ferguson. M Walters. M Johnston, P Huistra (subt. A McCost). commission of enquiry into the Old Trafford incident next

England in a temporary net gain



Poacher turned gamekeeper: Graham Gooch, the injured England cricket captain, watches Angus Fraser bowl in the nets yesterday. England's preparations, page 42

Becker takes up Davis Cup

Germany to Davis Cup tennis when Germany meet Italy at triumphs in 1988 and 1989, is home. Becker said last year he to play for his country again had decided to pull out of the next year after refusing to take competition because it had part in the competition for the drained him of the energy and meanwhile, said he may return to the 1991 French Open after his strategy of passing up the event this year failed to produce his first Wimbledon:

Becker, the world No. 2, said in an interview with the Stuttgart; the caviar and Wales Open in Sydney on German magazine, Stern, he champagne boxes and the way January 7-13.

BONN (Reuter) — Boris would be available from the the businesamen let down the Becker, who guided West first round next February real tennis fans by selling the past 12 months. Ivan Lendl, mental sharpness required to play. If I feel I'm unfit or just. compile the points he needed to become No. 1 in the world. But he admitted in the

interview his decision had "The truth is I was upset by the VIP business at the final in

tickets well in advance to firms and sponsors."
Lendl said: "If I feel I'm

playing well and fit and have a chance to win the French I will not playing well then I will go to England and prepare for Wimbledon."

Lendl, the Australian Open been made for other reasons. champion, will prepare for the 1991 Australian Open by playing in the \$475,000 New South

Fulton's line-up missing

By KEITH MACKLIN

WHEN Bobby Fulton, the his team for Saturday's first rugby league international at Wembley the name of Cliff Lyons was missing. He was not even among the replacements.

However. Lyons looks to have a good chance of making an appearance because of the withdrawal of the first-choice stand-off half, Lauric Daley, who broke a bone in his hand at Leeds on Sunday.

Daley failed a fitness test

resterday and it is expected that either Lyons or the scrum half, Ricky Stuart, will take over the No. 6 spot.

Otherwise, there are no surprises in Fulton's selection for the match, sponsored by British Coal. The only other change from the normal firstchoice line-up is the return. after injury, of the second-row forward. John Cartwright.

This has been the basis of the team that has carried the Australians to impressive victories at St Helens, Wigan and Leeds, although British supporters took heart at Headingley on Sunday when Leeds led 10-6 at half-time and only capitulated to superior pace and staying power.

The decision to give Daley every chance to declare his friness was understandable. His partnership with the brilliant and elusive scrum half, Allan Langer, had been one of the features of the tour so far. Lyons is an experienced interational player, and is capable of playing in several positions. but he cannot provide the link between forwards and three-quarters as well as Daley.
The Australians are doing a splendid public relations job

in the run-up to the game at Wembley. Players who have not been selected for the international are being kept busy with a heavy promotional programme which in-cludes visits to pubs in Hampstead, Teddington, Northwood, and Earls Court.

The Great Britain squad rained yesterday at the Shaw Hill Country Club at Chorley, and will move to their London headquarters today.

AUSTRALIA: G Beicher: A Eisin M Meninga, M McGaw, M H Cartwright, A Lindner, Replace Haster, D Shearer, G Lezarus.

 Bobby Goulding, the Wigan and Great Britain scrum half. is in disciplinary trouble again. Goulding will appear before the League's disci-plinary committee today after his sending-off for alleged dissent during Wigen's reserve game at Oldham last week. Last month, he was warned about his future conduct after an off-the-field incident during the Great-Britain tour of New Zealand.

WHERE DO ACTORS GET THEIR BEST PARTS THESE DAYS? DAVID LYNCH? OR COSMETIC



SURGEONS?

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Call for plugging of a gap in the drug laws THE three members of the TVS production. The other two

Sports Council's enquiry into drug-taking in weightlifting want the possession of anabolic steroids to be made a criminal offence (John Goodbody

In a television programme to Jacobs. a solicitor, who is the chairman of the investigation. says Customs and Excise is "powerless" to prevent hor-mone drugs from coming into

"If a person claims on bring-ing them in — never mind the quantity — that they are for his own use then there is no offence. Possession of these drugs is not an offence," he said.
"There is no doubt in our

minds, that all three of us would welcome a change in the law."

Jacobs says on Facing South, a before the Sports Council."

members of the panel are Professor Taffy Cameron, of the London Hospital, and Professor Peter Radford, of Glasgow University.

The enquiry was set up after a spate of scandals in the sport. A Welsh Commonwealth
 Games official, Myrddin John vesterday accused the Sports Council of Wales of using blackmailing tactics by threatening to withdraw cash aid from the Commonwealth Games Council for Wales unless the ical shake-up.

"We will not be blackmailed into doing something for the sake of money." John said. "We

Woosnam in pursuit of record prize

SOTOGRANDE, Spain - lan Woosnam will become the richest prize-winner in Euro-pean golf history if he secures the No. I spot in the Order of Merit after the Volvo Masters which begins at the Valderrama course here today (Mitchell Platts writes).

A £90,000 bonus for being No. 1 would increase his European earnings to £2,156,240 and lift him above Severiano Ballesteros (£2,138,596) and Nick Faldo (£1,845,635).

Meanwhile, Sandy Lyle is to relinquish his US PGA Tour membership

Conflicting views on tours

The All Blacks will tour South Africa in 1992 provided it is politically acceptable, Eddie got things settled."

Tonks, the New Zealand But in Johannesburg, Steve Rugby Football Union chair—Tshwete, who as a national man, said yesterday.

that statement by saying that provided everything is politically stable and acceptable to the world at large," he told Radio New Zealand. "If the ANC (African Nat- tours.

ional Congress) and the Zulus get their heads together and leader of South African rugby the government break down the sanctions, then we'll go." leader of South African rugby since 1956, who has been the sanctions, then we'll go." The 1992 date is on the country back into the main-International Rugby Board's stream of international rugby, tour schedule:

McNulty's challenge, page 42 time was right to resume on with the South African

contact. "It's time the world at large got their heads together with the groups over there and But in Johannesburg, Steve

executive committee member "We are due to go to South of the ANC is the leading Africa in 1992, and I'll qualify black spokesman on sport, that statement by saying that said South African Rugby Board president, Danie Craven, was irresponsible recently when he spoke of breaking the moratorium on

> Craven, the 80-year-old threatened to break his prom-

Rugby Union president, Ebrahim Patel, after an historic match in Soweto was called off because of black

South Africa are candidates for the 1995 World Cup and any hitches in forming a single ruling body for the sport harms their chances. Tshwete warned any such

tour would have wider inplications. This will not affect only the talks on sport. It will have serious repercussions," he said.

too short-sighted. "Craven must earn a tour to this country." Tshwete said Craven was still the president of a racist body. "Craven has done nothing except screaming in

The lone sailor slapped in the face by a wet fish

IF FABLES were true, the hold of New Spirit of Ipswich would be filled with gold right now. A few days ago, I sailed as close as can be possible to the end of a beautiful rainbow. The colours, in stark contrast, streamed from the base of a tall, black raincloud. But the wind beneath such a cloud was gold enough for me, having spent three hours becalmed The doldrums were nothing that I

expected and all I had not. There were no balmy clear days trickling along under full sail; instead, the skies were generally leaden and heavy, the seas subsequently black or grey. It is here that the southern and northern hemispheres meet and it is often a volatile abrasion. Each day, the wind swings from 0 to 30 knots and often through 180. Becalmed, it feels crazy to be reefing sails at the approach of a dark cloud, but experience has taught me to be gun-shy of the cool blasts that lurk beneath them. There is little or no rest for solo sailors here with constantly fluctuating wind strength and direction making this the most frustrating part of the race so far.

JOSH BALL reports from on board New Spirit of Ipswich in the south Atlantic, heading for Cape Town in the BOC single-handed round the world yacht race

Mondays are rarely good days and Monday, October 9 got off to a bad start for me. We single-handers take a certain pride in our ability to dodge spray and deck-washing waves and at first light I chose my moment carefully to peer around the sprayhood and check the weather horizon. I missed the spray but caught a sizeable flying fish right between the eyes.

The experience, for us both, was more shock than pain - he was soon back in the briny and I just as quickly below. I should have taken the hint and gone straight back to bed for the day but, as usual, the great BOC single-handed round the world race gremlin was on my back. He allows me to rest only through exhaustion, naes me to change sails. to alter course and to squeeze every knot of boat speed from Spirit. The trim of the vacht seemed different check of the forward watertight compartment revealed over 100 gallons, 1000lb, of sea water sloshing around. Once bailed, I found the source of

the leak - a loosened deck fitting that was soon resealed. Back on deck, we were becalmed yet again. Heavy clouds encircled us with shafts of rain streaming from them. It was an evil atmosphere. I stood in the cockpit expectantly. The wind veered, the sails backed, a darkness overtook us. Another squall, but this one did not look too bad. It was bad. Inside two minutes, I had 38 knots of wind and struggled to reef

Two reefs in the main, staysail up, two tons of water ballast in the weather tank and we blasted along through an almost solid wall of tropical rain. I went below to log our new course and as I wrote I was shaken by a loud ominous bang the rig had failed, I thought, A check aloft, the mast was still there; it was the second reefing pennant and at last the south-east trades are

Third reef in, change the pennant

and rehoist, cursing the heavens all the way. This (not so bad) squall-lasted into the night — what happened to the doldrums! It forced me over to the east for 12 hours longer than the yacht ahead and Sponsor Wanted subsequently gained 60 miles on me. It is annoying but this race is a game of snakes and ladders - now and again you get swallowed, undoing days of hard-won miles. Midnight and we sat becalmed once again - defi-

A more-than-welcome respite from all of this is the radio - a daily chat with Robin Davie on Global Exposure, with friends in the States, and the odd link call home are always rejuvenating. The day I crossed the equator I placed a call through to one of the Ipswichprimary schools following the race: The sound of 200 kids giving three cheers raised the spirits of myself

nitely a Monday to forget

and the radio operator. It was 10.30am on October 12 that I passed into the south Atlantic blowing hard. I was in third place in Class 2 then (although I have since slipped to fourth), the breeze was steady and my course was southward to skirt around the south Atlantic high. The most frightening experience

of the race so far occured the other night. Dozing at the chart table, was woken by a slap in the face. A distressed migrating swallow had flown into the cabin and flapped around me frantic to escape. Halfasleep, I thought the angel of death was apon me and easily beat him in the race to the hatch. He followed but not before leaving some well-hidden deposits around the cabin.

The lee rail is dug hard into the water and Spirit is gunning for the boats ahead. Surely it is time they found a snake or two on the board. The frustrations of the doldrums are behind us, there is a fresh chart on the table ready to receive crosses, coffee stains and ravioli spots - the race is on again.

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